

"The publicity that has been thrust upon them once more came from the action of the Department of Welfare.

"There is general acknowledgement that the children have been physically well taken care of; progressed well in school and in their social relationships, and were in a comfortable warm home.

"They have not been exploited by their guardians or the Committee. Every effort was made to protect the children's privacy and the children themselves were not involved in any fund raising. The children's pictures were publicly on the jacket of the book containing their parents' last letters. It was their parents' wish that this be done. MICHAEL ROSENBERG appealed in the last hours of his parents' lives to the White House for mercy for his parents. It was generally recognized that a ten year old had a right to do something on behalf of those he loved, and competent authorities agreed.

"The State Supreme Court ordered the children returned to the temporary custody of their grandmother, SOPHIE ROSENBERG, pending further hearings. The soundness of the family relationship is the basis of social work and child care planning. Mrs. SOPHIE ROSENBERG is their closest kin; she should not be denied her grandchildren.

"On April 5th Judge COLLINS will conduct hearings on guardianship. We are sure that many will want to write expressing their belief that the best interests of the children require that this be taken out of the courts and that Mrs. SOPHIE ROSENBERG's rights as grandmother be respected. Letters should be sent to Hon. WILLIAM T. COLLINS, Surrogate Court, 31 Chambers Street, New York City.

Room 2

1050 Sixth Avenue, New York"

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"COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR
MORTON SOBELL IN THE ROSENBERG CASE.
"1050 Sixth Avenue
New York 18, N.Y.
LO 4-9585
March 11, 1954

"Dear Friend:

"The shameful attack against MICHAEL and ROBBIE ROSENBERG is part of the special 'Rosenberg Justice' that is being foisted upon our country. It is not enough that a mother and father were executed despite world-wide protests and dissents of three Supreme Court Justices. It is not enough that scientist MORTON SOBELL was sentenced to 30 years in Alcatraz on the word of an admitted perjurer, or that little MICHAEL and ROBBIE were hounded from their New Jersey school. Now, just when the children had found a happy home, a brazen attempt is made to continue the case against their executed parents by persecuting two innocent children.*

"Publicly the attempt to tear the children from their grandmother and foster parents is being carried out by the New York City Welfare Department. But the filing of papers in Surrogate's Court by the Greenglass family through Mrs. TESSIE GREENGLASS, mother of DAVID GREENGLASS and ETHEL ROSENBERG, raises questions of what role the U.S. Attorney General's office is playing in this case.

"Mrs. GREENGLASS while not asking custody of the children, filed papers through the O. John Rogge law firm asking that the children be raised in a proper Jewish home. Such is the hypocritical request of the woman who committed Michael and Robbie to a public institution when their parents were in prison, and who since that time has never so much as visited them, sent them gifts, or shown any interest whatsoever in their well being.

"The danger of the Rosenberg children being taken from the custody of Mrs. ROSENBERG is great. The status of court action is as follows: Judge WILLIAM T. COLLINS of Surrogate's Court has arranged with the Children's Court to defer action and permit

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"the Surrogate's Court to move on the appointment of a guardian and to attempt to seize control of the trust fund. The Welfare Department is pressing for the appointment of a guardian outside of the family. On March 18th the court will consider the Welfare Department's bid to move in on the trust fund which EMANUEL BLOCH raised for the children and which is under adequate and responsible protection now. On April 5th Judge COLLINS will conduct hearings on guardianship.

"This gives only a few precious weeks for nationwide public opinion to be expressed against the unprecedented effort to take the children away from their blood relatives and place them with strangers. In every community there are civic leaders, ministers, rabbis, trade unionists who will speak out if the facts are brought to them.

"The New York Times reports that Surrogate Judge COLLINS has asked the persons interested in the guardianship of the children write to him. We are sure that many will want to write expressing their belief that the best interests of the children require that this be taken out of the courts and that Mrs. SOPHIE ROSENBERG's rights as grandmother be respected. Letters should be sent to Hon. WILLIAM T. COLLINS, Surrogate Court, 31 Chambers Street, New York City. Communications should also be sent to Mayor ROBERT WAGNER, City Hall, New York City, insisting that the welfare Department cease its harrassment of the children.

"It will be to America's lasting shame if MICHAEL and ROBBIE ROSENBERG are not permitted to grow up free from public limelight, safe in the warmth of those who love them.

"ROBERT and MICHAEL were happy in their privacy before this latest outrageous invasion of their rights by a city agency. We must help them to restore this. The justice that was denied their parents must not be denied their Children!

/s/ "NORMA ARONSON"

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On November 27, 1954, informant made available a pamphlet entitled, "The Scientist in Alcatraz, 16 Questions and Answers on the case of MORTON SOBELL", issued by the National Committee of subject organization. This pamphlet is identical to that supplied by Informant T-9 on December 7, 1953, which has been previously described in this report.

On April 9, 1954, informant made available the following literature published by subject organization and being distributed in the District of Columbia by the NSCWDC:

1. An eight page booklet entitled, "Did the ROSENBERGs Have Full Measure of Justice?"
2. Booklet entitled, "A Scientist in Alcatraz, 16 Questions and Answers on the Case of MORTON SOBELL", (previously described by Informant T-9).
3. A fund pledge card as follows:

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"a pledge for justice"

"AMERICAN justice demands that MORTON SOBELL have a new trial. I want to help. I pledge to give or raise \$30 -- one dollar for each of the 30 years MORTON SOBELL has been sentenced to Alcatraz -- to help carry out the public and legal campaign in his behalf.

"Name _____

"Address _____

"SCHEDULE

"1 Enclosed find \$ _____ as my first payment.

"2 The second payment will be made by _____ (date)

"3 The final payment will be made by _____ (Date)

"Return to: COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR
MORTON SOBELL IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
1050 Sixth Avenue, New York 18, N. Y."

Informant T-26:

Informant on April 8, 1954 made available the following flier which informant advised had apparently been distributed by the RSCWDC in about March, 1954:

"The Rosenberg - Sobell Committee will be meeting regularly every Monday night starting --

"Monday March 15th 8:30 P.M.

930 F St. N.W. Room 519

"to prepare for a Mass meeting to be held on April 7th.

"We are counting on your support. Please attend the Committee meetings so that you can help plan a successful affair."

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[REDACTED] a letter dated November 1, 1954 from Mrs. [REDACTED], 500 West 135th Street, New York 31, New York, to J. Edgar Hoover, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Justice Department, Washington, D. C. This letter protested the imprisonment of MORTON SOBELL in Alcatraz and the alleged activities of SOBELL by government agents.

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Informant T-13:

On February 8, 1954, informant made available a booklet entitled, "The Scientist In Alcatraz", which had been distributed by the RSCWDC. This booklet is identical to that previously supplied by T-9 which has been previously identified in this report.

Informant T-19:

On April 7, 1954, informant made available a booklet entitled, "Did the ROSENBERGS Have Full Measure of Justice?", published by subject organization. This booklet is identical to that supplied by T-7 which has been previously described.

On April 7, 1954, informant made available the following literature obtained at an affair sponsored by the [REDACTED] held April 7, 1954 at Odd Fellows Hall, 9th and T Streets, N. W.:

1. A six page mimeographed booklet, "Reply Brief in Support of Petition for Writ of Certiorari" in case number 497, MORTON SOBELL vs The United States of America in the Supreme Court of the United States, October term, 1953.
2. A booklet on "MORTON SOBELL Petitioner vs The United States of America", a petition for a writ of certiorari to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Court.

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Informant T-24:

On May 6, 1954, informant stated that in late 1952, GERTRUDE EVANS**, identified by informant as the Executive Secretary of the PPDC, and ETHEL WEICHBROD**, identified by informant as the Secretary for the Washington Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, submitted to the Bureau of Prisons, Washington, D. C., correspondence demanding the transfer of MORTON SOBELL from Alcatraz.

Informant T-10:

Informant advised in November, 1954, that on November 24, 1954 the RSCWDC held a fund-raising Mexican dinner at 3431 10th Place, N. E. According to informant, about sixty-five persons attended this affair, including:

HELEN SOBELL (Mrs. MORTON SOBELL), [REDACTED]

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Informant stated that the highlight of the above-mentioned affair was a speech by AMELIA SUBELL, wife of HENRY SUBELL, in which she described the work going on all over the country in her husband's behalf. The informant added that ROBERT H. HENTENSTEIN and IRVING HENTENSTEIN acted as masters of ceremony for the above affair. Informant stated that part of the entertainment consisted of singing a number of songs, one of which was entitled, "Dear Mother, Dedicated to the Struggle."

Informants T-13 and T-21:

Informants both advised on December 11, 1953 that they had observed a leaflet which in substance read as follows:

Arrange your baby sitting problem now, you are invited to a New Years Eve party, 10:00 P.M., to 37 on December 31, 1953. Northwest section - 4230 Chesapeake Street, N. W. Southeast section - Trenton Terrace (exact location later). For reservations or information call LENIE TEITLBAUM** sponsored by the Rosenberg - Sobell Committee of Washington, D. C.

Informant T-18:

On October 25, 1954, informant made available an invitation to a Mexican dinner to be held at 3431 10th Place, S. E., which dinner was to be sponsored by the NSCWDC.

Informant T-14:

On June 16, 1953, informant advised that a clemency rally was held in Washington, D. C. on June 14, 1953 which was sponsored by the National Committee to Secure Justice in

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the Rosenberg Case. Informant advised that this rally was attended by some six-thousand delegates and that some of these delegates remained in Washington to participate in a twenty-four hour vigil awaiting the final word in the Supreme Court in connection with the ROSENBERG case.

The "Daily Worker", an East Coast daily Communist publication, in its edition of June 8, 1954, page 1, column 1, contained the following article:

"Reject New SOBELL Flea; Washington, June 7 --
The Supreme Court today rejected another appeal by MORTON SOBELL, framed up together with ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG.

"SOBELL was sentenced to 30 years in prison although he was not even charged with committing any act of espionage but of 'conspiracy.' He is in Alcatraz Federal Prison.

"SOBELL's appeal showed there was no evidence to link him with any conspiracy and that even the dates the government charged 'conspiracy' were later than the dates of the alleged ROSENBERG 'espionage'."

Informant T-27:

On December 30, 1953, informant made available the following paper describing the organization of the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case. Informant stated that it was his opinion that this paper had been in the possession of SYLVIA BERNSTEIN*:

"PRE-CONFERENCE PAPER

"Prepared by the National Committee
to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case
1050 Sixth Ave.

For Chicago Conference, Oct. 10-11, 1953

"SUBJECT - NATIONAL ORGANIZATION

"I: Structure

"1. The National Conference of Rosenberg-Sobell Committees establishes a National Organization to implement its program.

- "2. The name of the National Organization shall be 'National Organization of Rosenberg-Sobell Committees'.
- "3. The policy making body of the Organization shall be a National Committee of 49 members, 15 members residing in the Western region (to Colorado, inclusive), 15 members residing in the Mid-Western region (to Ohio, inclusive), and 15 members residing in the East. Election to the National Committee shall be in accordance with Paragraph 5 of the Representation and Voting Plan of the National Conference. Subsequent vacancies in the National Committee shall be filled by procedures worked out by the National Committee.
- "4. The officers of the Organization shall be: a) 3 National Co-Chairmen, 1 from each region. They shall be elected in accordance with Paragraph 4 of the Representation and Voting Plan of the National Conference. Vacancies shall be filled by procedures worked out by the National Committee. The Co-Chairmen are automatically members of the National Committee. b) a National Director, elected in the same manner as the Co-Chairmen. The National Director is automatically elected to the National Committee.
- "5. Special Committees - The National Committee shall elect or appoint special Committees to further the aims of the Organization (legal, finance, research, other).
- "6. Rosenberg-Sobell Committees on community, city, state, professional, trade or regional levels will elect their own chairmen and officers.

"Note: Nominees for any elective post at the Conference do not have to be present to be elected, but their consent to be nominated must be shown in writing or by another reasonable means.

"II: Method of Operation

- "1) All future policy matters are to be determined by the National Committee. Such decisions can be made by
 - "a) a meeting of the National Committee, at which there are present at least five

- "members from each region, at a time and place set by the National Co-Chairmen. A majority vote of the members of each region shall be required for passage of motions. or
- "b) a mail referendum, supervised by the National Co-Chairmen, of the entire National Committee, with a majority vote of the members of each region required for passage of a motion.
- "2) In the intervals between National Committee meetings and referenda, the National Co-Chairmen and the National Director shall guide the organization, and shall set up methods of consultation and decision convenient to them.
- "3) In the intervals between meetings and referenda of the above two bodies, the organization shall be guided by the fifteen National Committee members residing in the region in which the National Office is located. These fifteen members may elect a sub-committee to work with the National Director.
- "4) Initiative in policy making can come from any of the above Committees or National Officers, and from any affiliated Committee on a community, city, state, professional, trade, or regional level. Such proposals shall be directed in writing to the National Committee, who will process such proposals according to such procedures as they deem workable.
- "5) Duly arrived at policy decisions shall be for the guidance of all affiliated committees.
- "6) A National Office shall be maintained to expedite the work of the organization.

"It is recommended that at this time the National Office be maintained in New York City to insure continuity in the work presently under way, to expedite legal conferences, and to give the National Committee an opportunity to make a change, if they desire to, under conditions which insure the smoothest possible transition."

The "Daily Worker", in its edition of December 9, 1953, Page 2, Columns 1-3, contained the following article:

**"ASK SENATE PROBE BROWNELL
ACTIONS IN ROSENBERG CASE**

"WASHINGTON, Dec. 8. -- A brief was filed at the weekend with the Senate Judiciary Committee requesting the committee to investigate the conduct of the U.S. Attorney General's office in the case of ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG and MORTON SOBELL.

"A 35-page brief with documented charges against the Attorney General's office was presented to Sen. WILLIAM LANGER, chairman of the Judiciary Committee, by the National Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL in the Rosenberg Case.

"The request for the investigation was presented by JOSEPH BRAININ of New York, who is co-chairman of the Committee with DANIEL G. MARSHALL, Los Angeles attorney.

"BRAININ after seeing LANGER, said the Senator had indicated his awareness of the gravity of the charges and had authorized him to state that the Senator said:

"I have received your petition and shall present your request to the full Senate Judiciary Committee at the earliest possible moment, probably in January. I shall not allow it to gather dust. I will insist on a "yes" or "no" answer."

"Seven charges were listed in the Bill of Particulars included in the brief. They were:

"1. The Attorney General's office knowingly used and encouraged perjured testimony against the ROSENBERGS and against MORTON SOBELL.

"2. The Attorney General's office promised rewards, and in fact did give such rewards, to several chief witnesses in the Rosenberg-Sobell case.

"3. The Attorney General's office deliberately engaged in an unlawful campaign of misrepresentation of facts through press releases prior to the trial and thus falsified essential aspects of the case influencing public opinion to prejudice the defendants.

"4. The Attorney General's office attempted and still attempts to keep from the courts documents that reveal the perjuries and the role the Attorney General's office played in obtaining these perjuries.

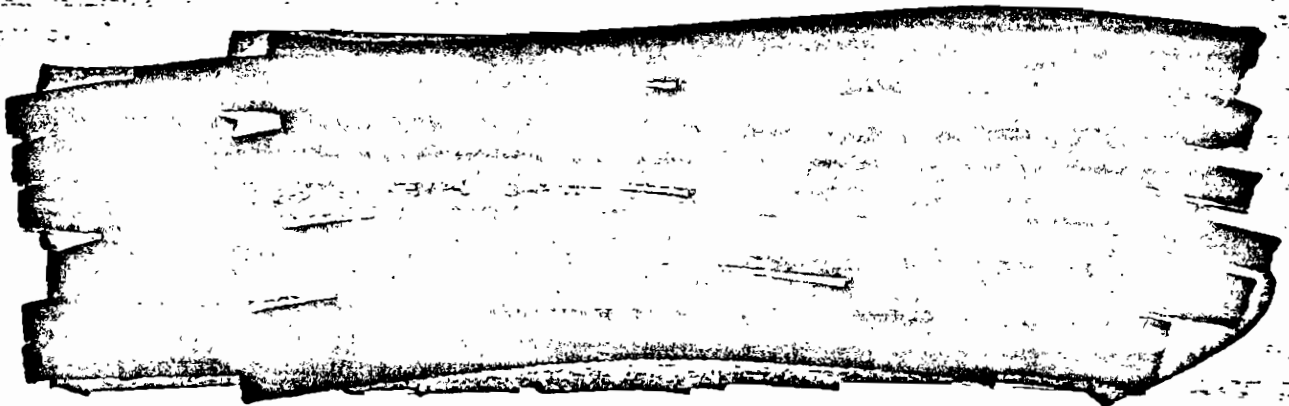
"5. The Attorney General's office engaged in the use of mental torture against the ROSENBERGs, and mental torture as well as physical violence against MORTON SOBELL.

"6. The Attorney General's office, by deception and misrepresentation, interfered with the courts' handling of the case.

"7. The Attorney General's office, by withholding information, by deception, and by outright falsehoods, misled two Presidents of the United States, who had before them appeals for clemency."

IX. CONNECTIONS WITH NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

Informant T-8:



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is exempt from disclosure, in its entirety, under (b)(7)(D) as information contained in this serial would identify an informant to whom an expressed promise of confidentiality has been given. This information includes dates and places of meetings which were attended by a limited number of people known to the informant and/or information from these meetings and situations in which an informant was in close contact with members of these organizations, disclosure of which would reveal his identity.

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Informant T-14:

Informant in October, 1953 advised that the National Conference of subject organization was held on October 10-11, 1953 at 410 South Michigan Avenue, Room 602, Chicago, Illinois, and that SYLVIA BERNSTEIN**, Washington, D. C., attended this conference.

Informant advised that at the October 11, 1953 session of this conference, SYLVIA BERNSTEIN** was elected to the National Executive Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg-Sobell Case.

Informant T-27

On September 21, 1954, informant made available two letters on stationery with the letterhead "Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL in the Rosenberg Case, 1050 Sixth Avenue, New York 18, New York." Informant advised that one of these letters, dated August 27, 1954, was submitted to SYLVIA BERNSTEIN** from TED JACOBS, of the national headquarters of subject organization, as follows:

"Dear Sylvia,

"Hope you had a nice vacation. This is just a reminder about the Eastern Seaboard meeting Sept. 11, 2 p.m. at the national office. Please advise us whether you will want sleeping accommodations. I thought I'd better send the reminder now, since I'm leaving this weekend on a vacation for one week.

"There's good news from California this morning. Love met yesterday with Mort in prison and I understand there is agreement on taking certain legal steps concerning the Alcatraz situation, but I haven't the details yet. There should be a statement from Love at any time on his entry into the case.

"I haven't heard from you yet on the draft pamphlet, and am anxious for your comments.

"Also, on the question of funds, which I discussed with Ethel and the others at our meeting, money is needed very urgently here, and it would be a tremendous help if you could, at the very latest, bring in a sizable portion of the money we talked about to the Sept. 11 meeting, although anything you can send before then will be a godsend.

"Looking forward to seeing you and others from Washington."

The other letter, made available by T-27 on September 21, 1954, has been previously set forth in this report.

Informant on October 5, 1954, made available a letter addressed to Mrs. SYLVIA BERNSTEIN**, 4230 Chesapeake Street, N.W., which letter was dated July 21, 1954, from TED JACOBS of the national headquarters of subject organization. This letter, on stationery with letterhead "Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL in the Rosenberg Case, 1050 Sixth Avenue, New York 18, New York," is as follows:

"Dear Sylvia,

"We have been discussing ways of getting a much fuller discussion on national policy and program on a periodic basis. We hope to accomplish this by more frequent Eastern Seaboard National Committee meetings.

"We are setting aside Saturday, Sept. 11, at 2 p.m., at the National Office for such a meeting. This is the earliest date we can select to allow for vacationing.

"If there is some reason that you, or someone from the Washington committee, cannot make it on that date, please let me know and we'll do some arranging. It goes without saying, that the presence of Washington is vital.

"Meanwhile, I hope to get to see you in Washington during the coming weeks to see how things are going and give whatever help I can. We will have some very important developments in the near future, and we believe when a public announcement is made, work will be given a shot in the arm. I'm referring to the pending official entry of Steve Love as attorney in the Sobell case. Meanwhile, we are working on obtaining statements from leading figures on the question of Alcatraz, statements which we'll be able to use in going to other people to get them to join in a demand for Sobell's removal.

"Please let me know about the meeting as soon as possible. By way of explanation, we have done some reorganizing here. Norma is occupying herself mainly with New York activity, and I'm concerning myself with the national program.

"In a few days, you'll receive a copy of the national budget being drawn up for the months of August, Sept., and October.

"Best regards to everyone from all here."

Informant on January 12, 1955, made available information revealing that SYLVIA BERNSTEIN**, 4230 Chesapeake Street, N.W., had received three communications from Room 2, 1050 Sixth Avenue, New York 18, New York, which communications were postmarked October 20, 1954, November 29, 1954, and December 30, 1954, at New York.

Informant T-13

On April 12, 1954, informant reported that on April 8, 1954, [redacted] stated that the skit "The Rock" presented by the RSCWDC at an affair on April 7, 1954 (previously reported), was prepared by the Central Committee of subject organization in New York City.

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Informant T-3

In October, 1953, informant advised that in connection with the National Conference of subject organization held October 10-11, 1953, in Chicago, SYLVIA BERNSTEIN**, of Washington, D.C., was selected by the Organizational Committee of this conference to be a member of the East Coast Regional Board of the National Committee and that BERNSTEIN was later nominated and elected to this position by the conference.

Informant T-49

Informant in October, 1953, advised that SYLVIA BERNSTEIN** registered for the above referred to conference as a delegate, giving her address as 4230 Chesapeake Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., occupation, housewife.

X. SUBVERSIVE RAMIFICATIONS

The Communist Party and the Communist Political Association have both been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The Committee to Defend MARIE RICHARDSON has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The "Daily Worker" is an east coast Communist daily newspaper and the "Worker" is the Sunday edition of this publication.

A. Connections with the Communist Party (CP)

Informant [redacted]

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Informant advised in August, 1953, that the activities of the Washington Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case were at that time controlled by the CP.

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In August, 1953, informant advised that since its inception the Washington Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case had been controlled by the CP and had never disagreed with the CP line.

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Informant T-18

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On April 13, 1954, informant reported on a meeting conducted by the RSCWDC on April 7, 1954, at Odd Fellows Hall, Ninth and T Streets, N.W., in which Dr. ROYAL FRANCE* was the principal speaker. According to informant FRANCE, in his speech before the group, stated that if the United States is afraid of the handful of Communists in this country overthrowing the government, then the government should be overthrown.

Informant [REDACTED]

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The following informants possessing knowledge of CP activities in the Washington, D.C. area were contacted in either December, 1954, or January, 1955, in regard to the RSCWDC. These informants could supply no additional information regarding this group not previously reported:

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B. Connections with the International Workers Order (IWO)

The International Workers Order has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

Informant [REDACTED]

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C. Connections with the Progressive Party of the District of Columbia (PPDC)

Informant [redacted] b7d

Informant in November, 1953, advised that the present leaders of the PPDC have been identified as either CP members or CP sympathizers and informant stated this organization has never to his knowledge opposed the CP on any issue or program.

On [redacted] informant advised that the RSCWDC had again been [redacted] b7d

The RSCWDC has no permanent headquarters but this group in the past has frequently used the headquarters of the PPDC at 930 F Street, N.W., according to informant [redacted] b7d

Informant [redacted]

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Informant stated on February 23, 1954, that a PPDC meeting was held at the Meridian Hill Church, Washington, D.C., on February 21, 1954, in which JOSEPH FORER* was Chairman. According to informant, between 175-200 persons attended this meeting and FORER requested signatures from this group on telegrams to New York regarding the action of New York Court in the matter of the children of JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG.

Informant T-17

On April 2, 1954, informant made available a printed copy of an announcement concerning a lecture to be held on April 7, 1954, at Odd Fellows Hall, Ninth and T Streets, N.W. This announcement states that Dr. ROYAL W. FRANCE* would speak at this affair on "The Crisis

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in Civil Rights." The announcement advises that this function was being sponsored by the RSCWDC.

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D. Connections with the Coordinating Committee for the Enforcement of the D.C. Anti-Discrimination Laws (Coordinating Committee)

Informant [REDACTED]

This informant on [REDACTED], stated that in his opinion the Coordinating Committee for the enforcement of the D.C. Anti-Discrimination Laws was at that time infiltrated by the CP but not actually controlled and dominated by the CP.

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XI. IMPLEMENTATION OF COMMUNIST PARTY LINE

Organization Line

"The attempt of Senator Joseph R. McCarthy, on flimsy evidence which later backfired, to link innocent Americans at Fort Monmouth with espionage reveals that the leaders of reaction will continue to use Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, though dead, as symbols of American spying."

"So long as the Rosenbergs remain unvindicated, reactionaries will continue this infamous practice."

Communist Party Line

"WELL, ANOTHER 'SPY' fraud of Joe McCarthy has been debunked. This time it is the Fort Monmouth fake. Army Secretary Stevens is compelled to admit that neither McCarthy nor any of the army of sleuths has been able to find any spying at Fort Monmouth."

"McCarthy is not looking for 'spies.' He has a very different target."

Organization Line (Cont.)

"But the wildness of Republican charges against Former President Harry S. Truman and others automatically builds a great wave of resistance. This wave of public opinion ultimately will demand an end of trial by hysteria. It is bound to demand a complete exposure of fake spy charges and high on the list will be the Rosenberg case.

"Because Morton Sobell, serving an underserved sentence of 30 years in Alcatraz for supposed spying activities which were never proved, is the living embodiment of the Rosenberg case, his fate is bound to come under consideration.

"Because of this and because we know that truth will vindicate the Rosenbergs and free Sobell we are sending you the enclosed factual information about the Sobell case.

"These victories will not come automatically. We need all the help you can give. Funds are urgently needed to carry on the fight. Won't you send in a contribution today?"

(Above letter made available on 12/8/53 by T-23)

Communist Party Line (Cont.)

"McCarthy left Fort Monmouth a shambles—with terrorized families, fired men, hounded children, and sheer hysteria—after three weeks of headline fakes which swept the United States. Most of the Monmouth martyrs have been rehired. Some other innocent people have lost their jobs.

"Editorial,
Daily Worker,
November 17, 1953, p.5"

"...Now, many are turning to the astounding case of Morton Sobell, sentenced to 30 years in Alcatraz, as one of the defendants in the Rosenberg frame-up. As with Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, there never existed a single iota of evidence connection Sobell in any way with spying, atomic or otherwise.

"So fragile was the 'link' cooked up against Sobell by even the lying government stoolie, Greenglass, that the death-hungry judge did not dare to doom him to die. But they doomed him to a living death. Now, many ask whether the shipping of Sobell to the notorious Alcatraz dungeons is not a new effort by the Washington authorities to torment Sobell into making the sordid deals—'fingering' innocent people for the FBI—as they tried to do with Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

"Editorial, Daily Worker,
July 1, 1953, p. 5.

Organization Line (Cont.)

Communist Party Line (Cont.)

"Sobell, a friend of the Rosenbergs, has now become the world-wide symbol of the campaign for their vindication. Like the Rosenbergs, he has persistently proclaimed his innocence.

"Daily Worker,
July 24, 1953, p.2

"...The fight to get Morton Sobell, innocent victim in this same frameup out of Alcatraz, the fight to get him a new trial must go on....

"Editorial, Daily Worker,
June 29, 1953, p. 5."

"History may recognize the injustice done to them but there can be no compensation for the Rosenbergs, no future apology will bring their parents to little MICHAEL and ROBBIE nor will it wipe out the crushing blow to American traditions of justice and mercy.

"However, there is still time to haul a miscarriage of justice in the case of Morton Sobell who was a co-defendant with Ethel and Julius Rosenberg. Sobell, convicted on the word of a man who faced a perjury indictment, was sentenced to thirty years at Alcatraz. He swears he is completely innocent.

"The Rosenberg case is not closed. The fight to vindicate their lives continues in the struggle to free Morton Sobell. His freedom will mark a great step in halting fascism, and can be won at this stage in the mounting anti-McCarthy struggle. There should be no rest for all who remember Julie and Ethel with pride.

"Fred E. Daniels,
'The Rosenbergs A
Year After,' Masses
& Mainstream,
Vol. 7, No. 6,
June, 1954, p. 41.

"THE PAST YEAR has also seen attempts to use the Rosenberg-Sobell case in attacks on others.

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"Alcatraz is a place reserved for murderers and hardened criminals. No children are allowed to visit there. This means that Sobell cannot see his four-year-old son Mark or his daughter Sydney, who is 13.

"The many and grave doubts surrounding the entire Rosenberg case called for a new trial for Morton Sobell. He must get the day in court, the full measure of justice that the Rosenbergs never had. Meanwhile, he should be removed from the inhumane conditions at Alcatraz to another prison where he can see his children while waiting for all of the facts in his case to come to light."

(Booklet "Did the Rosenbergs Have Full Measure of Justice?", p. 8, made available 4/7/54 by T-19)

Communist Party Line (Cont.)

Senator McCarthy launched his Fort Monmouth investigations with a claim that he would uncover a spy ring traced to the Rosenbergs and Morton Sobell. Army Secretary Stevens refuted this claim when he said at the Senate hearings that 'there is not evidence now and I found none then for espionage at Monmouth.'

"Thus, one year after the execution of the Rosenbergs, the Rosenberg-Sobell case is very much alive. The campaign to secure justice for Morton Sobell and the drive to remove him from Alcatraz, developments growing out of the case and the determination of thousands of persons to get at the entire truth give significance to the first anniversary of the execution.

"Daily Worker, May 14, 1954, p.4."

"On Wednesday night, February 17, six people entered the foster home of two orphan children and produced a court order demanding that they be 'forthwith removed.' These people, representing social agencies, flagrantly violated the most basic procedures of child care and simple humanity.

"Why did six adults and a cordon of policemen surround the home of ten and six-year-old brothers? Why was the

"Do not forget the Rosenberg children. Their parents were killed to help create the official lie about 'stealing a secret' which the world now knows never existed.

"Vicious people want to kidnap them legally from those who love them.

"Surrogate William T. Collins, 31 Chambers Street, will hear the trial Monday morning. He

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order for removal sale without prior investigation and psychological preparation of the children? Why this departure from the usual procedures?—
On April 5 George Collins will conduct hearings on guardianship. We are sure that many will want to write expressing their belief that the best interests of the children require that this be taken out of the courts and that Mrs. Sophie Rosenberg's rights as grandmother be respected. Letters should be sent to Honorable William T. Collins, Surrogate Court, 31 Chambers Street, New York City."

(Memorandum titled "Why the Persecution of These Two Small Children?"
Ps. 1,2, made available by T-9)

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has asked for people's opinions. Send messages urging that these cruelly hounded children be left in peace with their grandmother!"

("Daily Worker" 4/2/54, p.5, column 1-2)

XII. IDENTIFICATION OF INDIVIDUALS

The following is an identification of individuals connected with the RSCWDC or who have shown an interest in this group and who have had membership in the CP and/or CP front group activity. When mentioned heretofore in this report individuals who have had one time CP membership have been identified by a double asterisk (**) following their last names. Individuals who have participated in CP front activities other than that of subject organization have been identified by a single asterisk (*) following their names.

NORMA AARONSON

Informant T-17, of unknown reliability, [redacted] advised that NORMA AARONSON in 1945 attended CP Marxist classes held at CP National Headquarters, New York City, [redacted]

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LEITA BECK

[REDACTED], advised that [REDACTED] was a member of the CP in the middle 1940's. It is noted that [REDACTED] is of known reliability. b7D

SAM BECK

[REDACTED] stated on [REDACTED] that SAM BECK was at that time a member of the CP in Montgomery and Prince Georges Counties, Maryland. [REDACTED] reported in 1949 that BECK was a CP member as of that time. b7D

ELEANOR BELSER

On April 9, 1953, Informant [REDACTED] advised that ELEANOR BELSER at that time was a member of the CP. b7D

JOSEPH BELSER

On April 9, 1953, Informant [REDACTED] identified JOSEPH BELSER as a member of the CP at that time. b7D

AL BERNSTEIN

Informant [REDACTED] on February 26, 1953, identified AL BERNSTEIN as a current member of the CP in the District of Columbia. b7D

SYLVIA BERNSTEIN

Informant [REDACTED] on February 26, 1953, identified SYLVIA BERNSTEIN as a current member of the CP in the District of Columbia. b7D

EMANUEL BLOCH

On July 2, 1953, Informant [REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] the informant believes there is no question that BLOCH is a CP member. Informant continued by stating that members of the CP generally regard BLOCH as a CP member. b7D

It is noted that the "Daily Worker" in its edition of February 1, 1954, advised that EMANUEL BLOCH died on January 31, 1954.

ABE BLOOM

On May 28, 1943, Informant T-30 reported that ABE BLOOM transferred from Washington, D.C. to the Shore branch of the CP in New Jersey.

ANNIE BLOOM

Informant [redacted] on November 27, 1953, advised that, while he did not know ANNIE BLOOM as a CP member, nevertheless this individual "speaks as a Communist Party person." b7d

MARJORIE BROCKMAN

Informant [redacted] on March 21, 1949, stated that MARJORIE BROCKMAN attended the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, in September, 1946, and shortly thereafter joined the CP. b7d

ELDRIDGE BROWN

Informant [redacted] advised that ELDRIDGE BROWN was at that time a member of the PPDC. b7d

HELEN BROWN

On [redacted] Informant [redacted] stated that HELEN BROWN, also known as Mrs. ELDRIDGE BROWN, was a member [redacted] of the PPDC. b7d

BERNIE CAMPELL

Informant [redacted] on January 3, 1946, identified BERNIE CAMPELL as a member of the CP in the District of Columbia. b7d

SHELDON DRESSLER

Informant [redacted] on February 26, 1953, identified SHELDON DRESSLER as a current member of the CP in the District of Columbia. b7d

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SOPHIE DRESSLER

On February 23, 1953, informant [redacted] identified SOPHIE DRESSLER as a current member of the CP in the District of Columbia. b7d

GERTRUDE EVANS

On May 15, 1950, Informant [redacted] identified GERTRUDE EVANS as a CP member at that time. b7d

BURTON FELTER, aka BERT FELTER

Informant [redacted] advised that BERT FELTER was a CP member as of March, 1953. b7d

Informant [redacted] in February, 1953, advised that BURTON FELTER was a current member of the CP in the District of Columbia. b7d

RITA FLEISCHER

In February, 1953, Informant [redacted] advised that RITA FLEISCHER was at that time a member of the CP. b7d

VICTOR FLEISCHER

Informant [redacted] in January, 1954, advised that VICTOR FLEISCHER was a current member of the CP. b7d

JOSEPH FORER

Informant T-33 on March 28, 1950, advised that JOSEPH FORER, an attorney, was then representing ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN in her efforts to obtain a renewal of her passport. In April, 1950, informant [redacted] advised that FORER had assisted in the preparation of certain legal papers in connection with the EUGENE DENNIS Contempt Case.

It is noted that ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN was a former chairman of the National Women's Commission, CP USA, who was tried and convicted in the USDC, Southern District of New York, in 1953, for violating the Smith Act of 1940.

It is noted also that EUGENE DENNIS was the General Secretary of the CP USA who was tried and convicted in 1949 and 1950 for violating the Smith Act of 1940. During this same period DENNIS was appealing a 1947 conviction of Contempt of Congress.

FLORENCE FORER

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] b7d

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Dr. ROYAL W. FRANCE

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The "Worker" in its edition of September 21, 1952, Page 3, Column 3, contained an article entitled "400 Hail Lawyers for '15' VOW Smith Act Fight." This article reveals that on September 18, 1952, ROYAL W. FRANCE spoke at a meeting at the Hotel McAlpin, New York City, honoring the lawyers who defended the Smith Act defendants. FRANCE said, according to the article, he had never met or spoken to a Communist until last year when he came out of retirement to defend them in the courtroom. "My life has been made more fruitful and gainful since" he stated according to the article.

SEYMOUR FRIEDMAN

In early 1945 Informant T-32 identified SEYMOUR FRIEDMAN as a member of the Waterfront Section of the CPA, New York City.

CHARLES GIFT

In February, 1953, Informant [REDACTED] stated that CHARLES GIFT was a current CP member. b7d

PAULINE GOLDMAN

In September, 1950, Informant T-34 identified PAULINE GOLDMAN as a member of the CP Cell in the Navy Department from the latter part of 1945 to the summer of 1948.

GEORGE GOLDSTEIN

Informant [REDACTED] in June, 1952, stated that, while he knew of no CP membership on the part of GEORGE GOLDSTEIN, this individual in his opinion is a close CP sympathizer. b7d

CLARENCE GUREWITZ, aka CASEY GUREWITZ

In February, 1953, Informant [redacted] identified CASEY GUREWITZ as a current CP member.

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ARLENE HAYS

On August 22, 1952, Informant [redacted] advised that ARLENE HAYS has been characterized by CP members as "very good people," meaning she has never, to the source's knowledge, disagreed with the CP and is generally sympathetic with the CP movement.

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WILLIAM HAYS

Informant [redacted] in 1953 advised that WILLIAM HAYS at that time was a close CP sympathizer.

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FRED S. HOWARD

On December 13, 1947, T-35 advised that FRED S. HOWARD, 60 Elm Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland, was at that time a member of the Washington Bookshop Association.

It is noted that the Washington Bookshop Association has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

JACOB HYAMS, aka JAKE HYAMS

In February, 1953, Informant [redacted] identified JACOB HYAMS as a current CP member.

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MARY IRVING

On July 1, 1951, Informant [redacted] identified MARY IRVING as a CP member at that time.

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WILLIAM JOHNSON, aka BILL JOHNSON

Informant [redacted] periodically advised during 1954 that BILL JOHNSON was at that time a current member of the CP in the District of Columbia [redacted]

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RAB KAGAR

[redacted] advised that RAB KAGAR was a CP member [redacted] In 1949 [redacted] identified KAGAR as a member of the Mid-City Club of the CP in the District of Columbia. b7D

JULIUS KAPLAN

On February 26, 1953, Informant [redacted] stated that JULIUS KAPLAN was a current member of the CP. b7D

MILTON KELENSON

On March 16, 1953, Informant T-36, of unknown reliability, [redacted] identified MILTON KELENSON as a member of the CP Labor Group in the District of Columbia during 1947-48. b7D

DAVID KIRSHBAUM

Informant T-55 in 1944 advised that DAVID KIRSHBAUM, 1758 Sterling Place, Brooklyn, New York, was in 1944 a member of the CP, King County, New York.

The records of the Credit Bureau, Washington, D.C., as of 1954 revealed that DAVID KIRSHBAUM currently resided at 1970 Q Street, N.W., having resided at that address since August, 1952.

Informant [redacted] in December, 1954, advised that DAVID KIRSHBAUM reportedly was a member of the PPDC as of December 8, 1954.

FRANCES KLAFTER

[redacted]

IRA KLAFTER

On September 7, 1950, Informant T-34 identified IRA KLAFTER as a member of the Navy Department CP Cell in 1947. b7D

MEYER KRAUS

On [redacted] Informant [redacted] advised that in the recent past he had learned that MEYER KRAUS was Secretary of IWO Lodge 482, Washington, D.C. b7D

NATALIE LAUKIN

On February 28, 1950, Informant [redacted] advised that NATALIE LAUKIN at that time was a member of the CP. b7d

IRVING AND SYLVIA LICHTENSTEIN

On July 10, 1951, Informant [redacted] of unknown reliability [redacted] advised that IRVING AND SYLVIA LICHTENSTEIN were members of the Newspaper Club of the Communist Party in the District of Columbia [redacted] b7d

NORMAN LICHTENSTEIN

On September 15, 1942, Informant T-53 stated that NORMAN LICHTENSTEIN was a member of the Ruthenberg Branch, Cleveland, Ohio, Section of the Young Communist League.

Informant [redacted] on [redacted] advised that NORMAN LICHTENSTEIN was at that time an active member of the PPDC. b7d

It is noted that the Young Communist League has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

EDMUND MAJCHRZYK, aka EDDIE MAJCHRZYK

In February, 1953, Informant [redacted] identified EDMUND MAJCHRZYK as a current CP member. b7d

NONNIE MAJCHRZYK

In February, 1953, Informant [redacted] identified NONNIE MAJCHRZYK as a current CP member. b7d

LEON MALKIN

[redacted] advised that LEON MALKIN [redacted] the Open CP [redacted] b7d

MARTHA MALKIN

On March 20, 1953, Informant [redacted] identified MARTHA MALKIN as a current CP member. b7d

JESSIE MICHELSON

In [redacted] stated that JESSIE MICHELSON was Secretary of the [redacted] Club of the District of Columbia [redacted] b7D

SAMUEL MICHELSON, aka SAM MICHELSON

On June 18, 1948, [redacted] identified SAM MICHELSON as a CP member. b7D

WILLIAM MULDRON, aka BILL

Informant [redacted] identified BILL MULDRON as a current CP member. b7D

JOE McRAE

Informant [redacted] identified JOE McRAE as a current CP member. b7D

LEO B. ORBACH, aka LEON ORBACH

[redacted] b7D

REBECCA PEARLMAN, aka BECKY PEARLMAN

Informant [redacted] advised that REBECCA PEARLMAN was a current member of the CP. b7D

LOUIS PEARLMAN

Informant [redacted] advised that LOUIS PEARLMAN was a current member of the CP. b7D

SALLY PEEK

In [redacted] Informant [redacted] advised that SALLY PEEK was a current CP member. b7D

AMELIA PELTZ, aka Mrs. ROY PELTZ

[redacted] advised that the wife of ROY PELTZ was a CP member. b7D

ROY PELTZ

On [redacted] Informant [redacted] identified ROY PELTZ as a CP member in 1951. b7D

SELMA REIN

Informant [redacted] has identified SELMA REIN as a CP member in 1945. b7D

ELMA ROBINSON

In 1954 Informant [redacted] identified ELMA ROBINSON as a current CP member.

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ANNE ROSEN

Informant [redacted] advised in [redacted] that [redacted]

[redacted] CP in Washington, D.C.

b7d

JOHN RUDDER

Informant [redacted] identified JOHN RUDDER as a current CP member.

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MEYER SAMOLS, aka MIKE SAMOLS

On [redacted] identified MIKE SAMOLS as a current CP member.

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SELMA SAMOLS

On [redacted] identified SELMA SAMOLS as a current CP member.

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JOSEPH SACHS, aka JOE SAKS

In [redacted] Informant [redacted] of unknown reliability.

[redacted] advised that he feels SACHS is a Communist although this informant had no information to substantiate his statement.

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MARGARET M. SHIPMAN

The Washington Evening Star, daily newspaper published in Washington, D.C., in its edition of December 8, 1950, page A-2, contained an article titled "Browder Needed to Seat Family, Stranger Who Went Bail Says." This article states that Miss MARGARET SHIPMAN on December 7, 1950, supplied the bond of \$1500 for EARL BROWDER, the one time head of the American Communist Party, who was being held on a contempt charge before U.S. Congress at Washington, D.C.

WILLIAM SHONICK, aka BILL SHONICK

In [redacted] Informant [redacted] advised that BILL SHONICK is a current member of the CP. b7d

HELEN SHONICK

Informant [redacted] has periodically advised during 1954 that HELEN SHONICK was a current member of the CP. b7d

DAVE and RUTH SIEGEL

On [redacted] Informant [redacted] advised that DAVE and RUTH SIEGEL were active in attending meetings of the CP in Washington, D.C. [redacted] Informant advised that he could not state that either DAVE or RUTH SIEGEL have ever actually been members of the CP

LOU SINGER, aka LOUIS SINGER

Informant T-41, another government agency which conducts personnel and security type investigations, on February 20, 1947, advised that LOUIS SINGER was an active member of the CP.

TOBY SINGER

In February, 1954, Informant [redacted] identified TOBY SINGER as a member of the Peace Committee of the PPDC. b7d

CHARLES SKLAR

In November, 1951, Informant [redacted] advised that he had been told that CHARLES SKLAR had been a member of the CP. Informant stated he was unable to verify this information from his own personal knowledge. b7d

SARAH R. SKLAR, aka SARA SKLAR

On [redacted] identified SARA SKLAR as a CP member in 1945, [redacted] b7d

BEATRICE ADELE SMITH

Informant [redacted] has advised that ADELE SMITH was a member of the CP in the District of Columbia in the late 1930's and early 1940's. b7d

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LINDA SOLOMON

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On September 12, 1949, informant T-43 advised that the Progressive Party of Maryland is dominated and controlled by the Communist Party and is used to further the aims of the CP. Informant T-56 periodically during 1954 identified LINDA SOLOMON as a current CP member.

ISAAC MORRIS SOLOMON

In 1954, informant [REDACTED] advised that he believed MORRIS SOLOMON to be a CP member. Informant explained that he had no proof of SOLOMON's CP membership but knew that SOLOMON is a close CP sympathizer. [REDACTED] during 1954 identified MORRIS SOLOMON as a current CP member.

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DALE STEELE

Informant [REDACTED] identified DALE STEELE as a member of the CP at that time.

b7d

FANNY STEELE

On [REDACTED] identified FANNY STEELE as a CP member at that time.

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The "Washington Post," a daily newspaper published in Washington, D. C., in its edition of January 24, 1954, page 12M, reported the death of FANNY STEELE, 7212 25th Street, Hyattsville, Maryland, on January 23, 1954.

JOHN B. STONE

On [REDACTED] advised that JOHN B. STONE at that time was a member of the CP and attached to the Lincoln Steffens Group, formerly known as the John Reed Group.

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ABE JACK SUROVELL

In January, 1952, informant T-34 advised that ABE SUROVELL was known to him to be a CP member in the Navy Department Cell in the District of Columbia from 1943 to 1948.

ESTHER SUROVELL

Informant T-34 advised that ESTHER SUROVELL was active in the Navy Department Cell of the CP in the District of Columbia during 1942 - 1948.

FLORENCE TABOR - SOL TABOR

Informant [REDACTED] advised that FLORENCE TABOR was active in the Young Communist League in 1938. [REDACTED] advised that SOL TABOR has been considered in the past to be a CP member. b7d

LENITA TEITELBAUM, aka. LENNIE TEITELBAUM

On [REDACTED] identified LENITA TEITELBAUM as a CP member at that time. b7d

ALBERT H. UNDERWOOD

In 1953, informants [REDACTED] advised that ALBERT UNDERWOOD was at that time a current member of the CP. b7d

ROSE WALTER, aka. SHOO-SHOO WALTER, ROSE DORFMAN

Records of the House Committee on Un-American Activities revealed that one ROSE DORFMAN, 700 West 178th Street, New York City, signed a CP nominating petition for councilman in New York City in 1945.

[REDACTED] b7d

ETHEL WEICHBROD

On [REDACTED] identified ETHEL WEICHBROD as a current CP member. b7d

ETHEL WEISSER

On [redacted] identified
ETHEL WEISSER as a current member of the CP. b7d

JULIUS WEISSER

On [redacted] of unknown
reliability [redacted]

[redacted]
[redacted] advised that JULIUS WEISSER was a
resident in New Haven, Connecticut. [redacted]

DANNY WEITZMAN

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MARY C. WEITZMAN, also known as Mrs. J. DANIEL WEITZMAN

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Records noted that the Southern Conference for Human Welfare was cited as a Communist front organization by the Congressional Committee on Un-American Activities, report No. 592, June 12, 1947.

In [redacted] advised that Mrs. J. D. WEITZMAN was at that time an active member of the Washington Bookshop Association. b7d

HELEN WINIK

In [redacted] informant [redacted] identified HELEN WINIK as a member of the CP DC at that time.

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Dr. IRVING WINIK

In [redacted] informant [redacted] identified Dr. IRVING WINIK as a current member of the CP in the District of Columbia. b7d

LOUIS N. ZIECHECK, also known as LARRY ZIECHECK

In late 1940, [redacted] advised that LARRY ZIECHECK had been a CP member in the past. b7d

SHIRLEY ZIECHECK

Informant [redacted] on [redacted] identified SHIRLEY ZIECHECK as a current CP member. b7d

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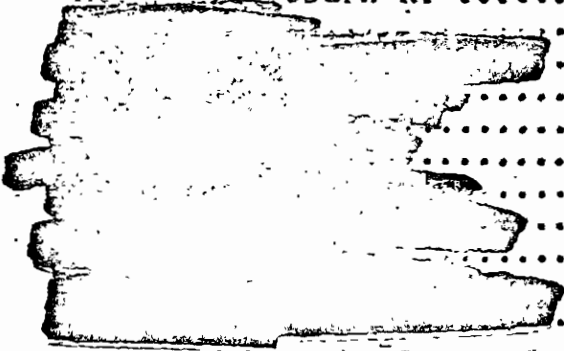
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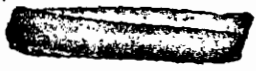
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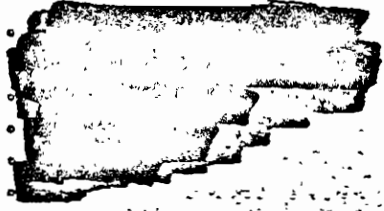
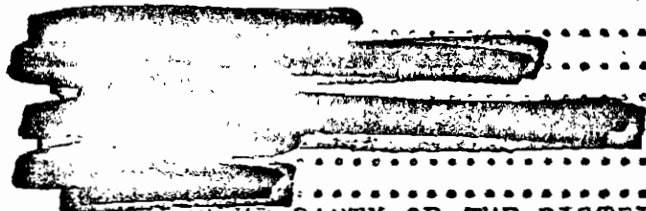
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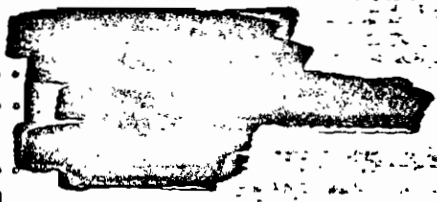
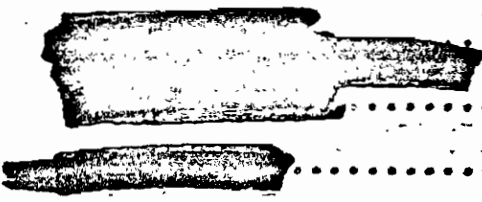
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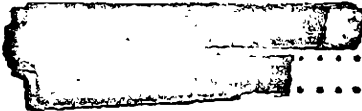
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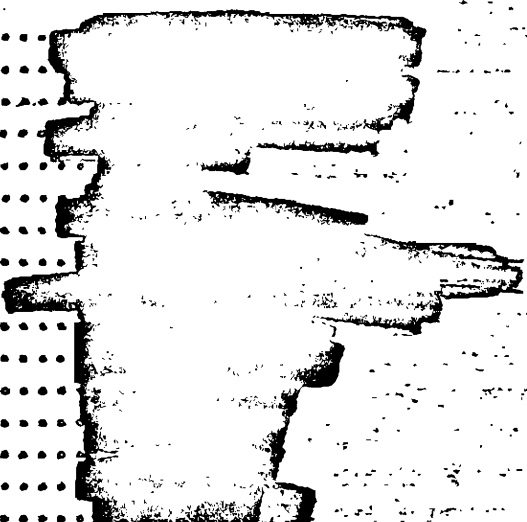
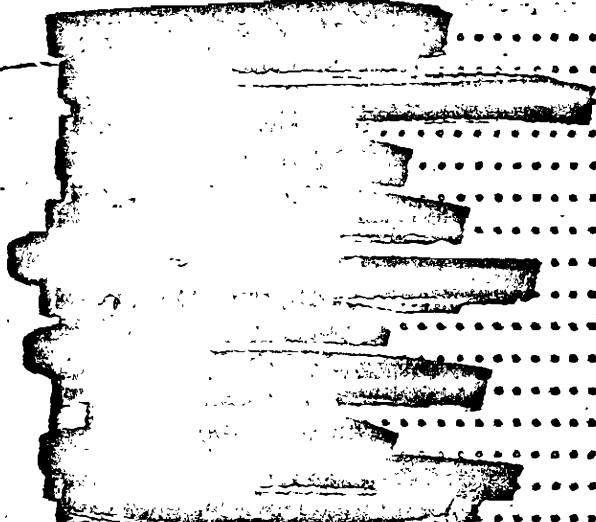
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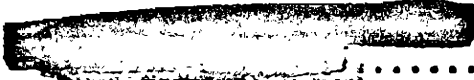
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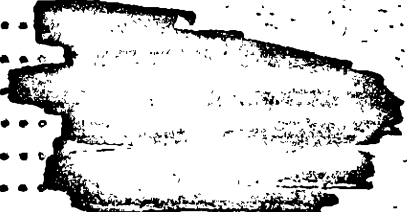
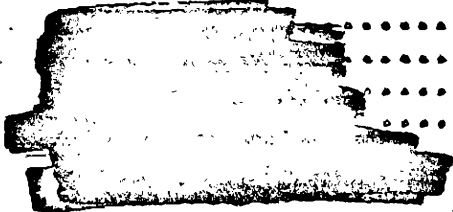


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"	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	100-10711
T-3: CG-5923-S*	National conference, Chicago formation of National Rosenberg-Sobell Committee	10/10-13/53		
T-4: [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	EVERETT K. DEANE SE VINCENT H. MC PEAK	NY 100-107111-1365-B
T-5: [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	MALCOLM J. BARRETT, SE ROBERT W. THOMSON	NY 100-107111-1365C
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T-11: [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	C. EDWIN GLASS, JR.	100-25474-793
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T-12: [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	WILLIAM C. CARROLL	100-25474-886
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[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	100-25474-860
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	[REDACTED] (30)
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	[REDACTED] (32)
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	[REDACTED]
T-14: [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	CARLTON H. WOLFARTH	[REDACTED] (34)
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	[REDACTED] (52)
T-15: FIBur (Deemed Advisable)	Affair sponsored by subject organization	4/7/54	EUGENE J. GARBUTT RICHARD B. LAVIN J. WILLIAM MUNCY WILLIAM T. FORSYTH	100-25474-885
T-16: [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	THOMAS C. RIES	[REDACTED]

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T-17: [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	ANGELO M. ROBBE	100-25474-801
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T-18: [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	ROBERT E. TORRENCE	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	100-25474-964
T-19: [REDACTED]	Made available booklet	4/7/54	WILLIAM T. FORSYTH	100-25474-1B2 (23)

Metropolitan Police Department, Washington, D. C. (By request)

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T-21: [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	R. C. PUTNAM	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	100-25474-860
T-22: [REDACTED]	Made available copy of "The Progressive"	10/28/53	JOHN M. DE BETTENCOURT	100-25474-132 (12)
Main Post Office, Washington, D. C. (Deemed advisable)				
T-23: [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	ANGELO M. ROBBE	100-25474-132 (17)
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	100-25474-132 (18)
T-24: [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	WILLIAM T. FORSYTH	100-25474-923

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T-25: [REDACTED] MARGARET H. [REDACTED] SHIPMAN [REDACTED] contributed. Times Square, 310 to [REDACTED] Branch, Chase National National Bank, Committee 11st and 7th Avenue, New York City, (By request)	5/7/54		EDWARD J. CASILL	100-25474-925
	Donors from Washington, D. C., to Rosenberg-Sobell Committee	7/14/53	"	100-25474-864
T-26: Trash cover on residence of Dr. ISADORE LEVIN, 5814 3rd Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. (Deemed advisable)	Made available announcement	4/8/54	JAMES D. HUPPERT	100-25474-1B2 (20)
T-27: Trash cover on residence of SYLVIA BERNSTEIN, 4230 Chesapeake Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. (Deemed advisable)	Made available paper	12/12/53	JAMES A. EGAN	100-28709-1A6

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Made available communication from TED JACOBS	9/21/54	PAUL E. MORRISON	100-25474-1B2 (24)
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SYLVIA BERNSTEIN received correspondence from TED JACOBS	10/5/54	JAMES D. HUPPERT, PAUL E. MORRISON	100-25474-1B2 (26)
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SYLVIA BERNSTEIN received communication from National Headquarters	1/12/55	PAUL E. MORRISON	100-25474-1A (2)
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T-28:  		SEYMOUR FRED PHILLIPS	 (10)
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T-29: 		ARNOLD C. DUQUETTE, RICHARD B. LAVIN	100-25474-908
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Flushing,
New York
(By request)

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PAULINE
GOLDMAN

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IRA KLAFTER

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ABE SUROVELL

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ESTHER
SUROVELL

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T-39: [REDACTED]

T-40: [REDACTED]

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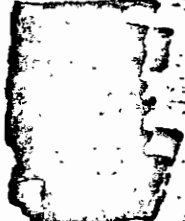

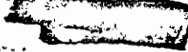

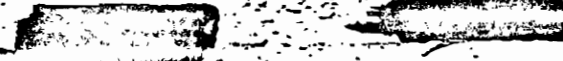


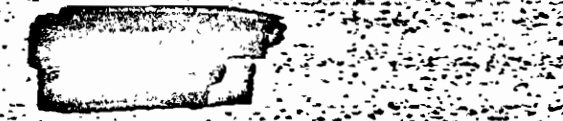

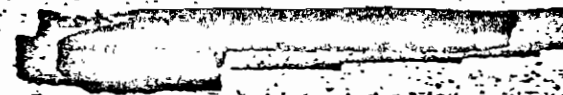
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T-50: 			JOHN A. HARRINGTON	100-25474-948
T-51: Episur (Deemed advisable)	Identified persons attending meeting of subject organization	11/9/54	WILLIAM T. FORSYTH, KARL V. HETHERINGTON	100-25474-952
T-52: 			RICHARD B. LAVIN	100-25474-965
T-53: Anonymous source				
T-54: 				
T-55: NY 1190-S*	Identified DAVE KIRSHBAUM			
T-56: 				

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BALTIMORE AND CHICAGO DIVISIONS: (INFORMATION)

Informational copies of this report are being supplied to the Baltimore and Chicago Divisions inasmuch as individuals from the Baltimore Division have participated in activities of the RSCWDC in Washington, D. C., and an individual from the Washington branch of subject organization has attended the functions of subject organization in the Chicago Division.

WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE:

AT WASHINGTON, D. C.:

Will continue to follow the activities of the Washington group of subject organization.

REFERENCE: Report of SA HOWARD FLETCHER, JR., dated September 8, 1953, at Washington, D. C.
Report of SA EDWARD J. CAHILL, dated November 26, 1954, at New York.

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The source further advised that [REDACTED] libraries in the New York area asking the Sobell Committee is canvassing all [REDACTED] if the library has a book on ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG (author unknown), in order to have the libraries order a copy of the book. The source advised that she was told that if the libraries will not order a copy of the book the Rosenberg-Sobell Committee will donate a copy of the book to the libraries.

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The source further advised on the same date, that [REDACTED] had told [REDACTED] that one half the sale price of a book entitled "JULIUS and Ethel Rosenberg" by JOHN WEYL is to be donated to the Sobell Committee. According to the source, WEYL resides in the Philadelphia area.

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1657	2/11/55	CG REPORT TO HQ	19	19	✓	PROCESS 101078 F2151 Referral SEE BUFILE 65-58236
1658	2/11/55	SA MEMO TO SAC/CG	3	-		SEE BUFILE 100-109849
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1660	2/11/55	COMMITTEE PRESS REL	9	9		
1661	2/14/55	CG LETTER TO HQ	2	2		
1662	2/21/55	SAC MEMO TO SAC/SL	4	4		
1663	2/24/55	SA MEMO TO SAC/NY	2	0		
1664	2/28/55	SA MEMO TO SAC/SL	3	3		
1665	3/2/55	MM REPORT TO HQ	3	3		
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1666A	3/11/55	OTHER GOVT AGENCY LETTER TO HQ	1	-		REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOVT AGENCY
1667	3/14/55	PH AIRTEL NY/NK	1	1		
1668	3/16/55	SAC LA TO HQ	3	2		

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11668B	3/16/55	LETTER TO HQ FROM ANOTHER GOVT AGENCY / W. ENCL	1/4	-		REFERRED TO ANOTHER GOVT AGENCY
11669	3/18/55	SAC PH LETTER TO NK	1	1		
11670	3/21/55	HQ LETTER TO NY	1	1		
11670	3/11/55	(ATTACHMENT TO ABOVE) AAG LETTER TO HQ	1	1		
11671	3/22/55	HQ LETTER TO BA	1	0		
11672	3/22/55	SA MEMO TO SAC	5	0		
11673	3/23/55	NY LETTER TO NK	1	1		
11674	3/23/55	SA MEMO TO SAC	2	2		
11675	3/28/55	BA LETTER TO HQ	2	2		
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For release FRIDAY A.M., Feb. 11

ROBERT HUTCHINS, ARNOLD TOYNBEE

AMONG WORLD NOTABLES IN TRIBUTE TO DR. UREY

Henry Commager, Van Wyck Brooks, Dr. James Franck, Roger Baldwin, Mary McLeod Bethune, A. Phillips Randolph, Linus Pauling, Fowler Harper, Dr. Percy Julian, Dean Robert Strozier, Alexander Meiklejohn Among Signers of Scrolls to be Presented at Dinner

CHICAGO, Feb. 11—Distinguished persons from many countries in science, education, labor, law, religion and the arts—including Robert M. Hutchins, American educator, and Arnold Toynbee, British historian—are among those who have signed scrolls of tribute to Dr. Harold C. Urey, Nobel Prize winner, for his achievements as a scientist and contributions as a citizen.

A bound volume of individual scrolls will be presented to Dr. Urey at a testimonial dinner in his honor on Saturday, Feb. 12th, 7 p.m. at the Hotel Hamilton. The dinner, which is expected to be attended by more than 400 persons, is under the auspices of the Chicago Sobell Committee. After the presentation of the scrolls, Dr. Urey will address the gathering. Guest speakers will be Carey McWilliams, author and editor, and Prof. Harry Kalven of the University of Chicago. Stephen Love, Chicago attorney, will be dinner chairman.

The scrolls of tribute to Dr. Urey state:

"TO HAROLD C. UREY: By signing this scroll I take this opportunity to salute you on a distinguished career as scientist and citizen, and to wish you full days of health, work, and happiness in the years ahead.

"As a scientist you have made major contributions to our knowledge of the physical universe! You have led a life dedicated to the pursuit of the truth. Your work has been in the finest traditions of American science.

"As a citizen you have made repeated contributions to the formulation of policy on public issues! You have been at once a stubborn and realistic critic of tyranny and a sane and eloquent spokesman for restraint, decency and tolerance in public affairs. In your protests in the Rosenberg and Sobell case, even to those who may disagree with your evaluation of the case itself, you have exemplified the vital principle of speaking out firmly and courageously when one deeply feels an injustice has taken place. The expression of your views has been in the highest traditions of American citizenship.

"I am pleased to join my fellow citizens in this greeting to you."

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Signers of the scroll include (partial listing)

Dr. James Franck and Maria Pauling, Nobel Prize winning scientists;
Henry Steele Commager, educator; Van Wyck Brooks, author; Dr. Mary McLeod
Bethune, educator; Roger Baldwin, civil liberties advocate; Dr. Percy
Julian, scientist; Prof. Fowler Harper, Yale Law School; A. Phillips Randolph,
labor leader; Dr. Robert Strozier, Dean of Students, University of Chicago;
Rabbi Abraham Cronbach of Cincinnati; Alexander Makklejohn, educator;
Rev. Henry Pitt Crane of Detroit; Prof. Kirtley Mather, Harvard; Dr. Percival
Bailey, University of Illinois Medical School; Prof. Ernest W. Burgess,
University of Chicago; Prof. Philip Morrison, scientist, Ithaca, N.Y.;
Prof. Mark de Wolfe Howe, Harvard Law School; Prof. Robert S. Lynd,
Columbia University; Judge George Quilici, Chicago; Dr. George Sarton,
Harvard; Dr. Joseph Mayer, University of Chicago; Justice James A. Wolf
of Utah, retired.

Also Charles A. Coulson, Prof. of Mathematics, Oxford, England; Lord
Chorley, Middlesex, England; Waldo Frank, author; Prof. Dorothy Brewster,
retired, Columbia University; Rev. Paul W. Carter of Chicago; Rev. Preston
Bradley, Chicago; Prof. Malcolm Sharp, U. of Chicago; Jessie Diaferi,
social worker; John K. Balm, scientist, Pittsburgh; Serge Hovy, composer,
New York City; Prof. W.C. Allee, U. of Chicago; Prof. Arton J. Carlson,
U. of Chicago; Dr. A. Dustan Hayden, Prof. emeritus, U. of Chicago;
Dr. James Luther Adams, U. of Chicago; Dr. Alexander S. Langsdorf, dean
emeritus, Washington University; Robert Morris Lovett, former Governor of
the Virgin Islands; Dr. Isaac Kolthoff, scientist, University of Minnesota;
Rev. John Howard Lathrop, N.Y.C.; Rev. John Paul Jones, N.Y.C.; Judge
Patrick H. O'Brien, Detroit; Dr. Edith Abbott, dean emeritus, U. of
Chicago; Bishop William J. Walla, Chicago; Dr. Robert Redfield, U. of
Chicago; Stephen Love, attorney, Chicago; Prof. Harry Kulfven, U. of
Chicago; Dr. W.E.P. DuBois, educator, NYC; Alfred Bensch, civic leader,
Cleveland.

Also Rev. John Howard Melish, N.Y.C.; Rev. William Howard Melish, N.Y.C.;
Rabbi Max Pelshin, N.Y.C.; Rev. Donald S. Lathrop, Boston; Dr. S. Gaudin
sekar, U. of Chicago; Prof. H.H. Wilson, Princeton University; Royal
Wilbur France, attorney, N.Y.C.; Robert E. Kenny, attorney, Los Angeles;
Hallowell Hoffman, American Friends Service Comm., Pasadena; Judge Norval K.
Harris, Sullivan, Ind; Rev. Roland W. Schloer, Ohio; Rev. Dryden Phelps,
San Francisco; Rabbi Benj. H. Friedman, Chicago; Dr. Mary P. Gilson, U. of C.

Rev. Clarence D. Berriot, Berkeley, Cal.; Prof Emeritus Louise
Pettibone Smith, Wallingey; Judge Edward P. Totten, Santa Ana, Cal.

FROM ABROAD (partial listing):

Pablo O'Higgins, artist, Mexico; Miguel Covarrubias, artist,
Mexico; Dr. John Takman, psychiatrist of the Child Welfare Board of
the City of Stockholm, Sweden; David Alfaro Siqueiros, artist, Mexico;
Juan O'Gorman, architect, Mexico; Diego Rivera, artist, Mexico;
Prof. L. Rosenfeld, University of Manchester, England; Rev. Glendon
F. Partridge, Montreal, Canada; Alfred Rose, composer, Paris; General
Horiberto Jara, Mexico; Alfredo Carmona Penn, poet, Costa Rica.

Also Percy Belcher, general secretary, Tobacco Workers Union,
England; Prof. Mark Fickerson, University of Manitoba, Canada;
Francis Joseph Caviglioli, architect, Algiers; Vincenzo Lombardo
Toledano, labor leader, Mexico; Oile Caris, leader of Brick Layers Union
Sweden; Alick West, literary critic, England; A.L. Norton, historian,
England; Prof. Arnold Kettle, Leeds University, England; Sam Aron-
vitch, author, England; Jack Duman, secretary, Agricultural Workers
Union, England.

Also 60 scientists, writers, artists, actors, and doctors
from Mexico; members of parliament in Sweden and Belgium; educators,
writers, poets, artists of France; doctors, artists, writers,
musicians of Sweden, 700 members of the Electrical Trades Union,
England; members of the Tobacco Workers Union, England.

NOTE TO EDITORS: Dr. Urey has consented to be present at 6:30 p.m.
Feb. 12th, at Suite 1620, Hamilton Hotel, to afford representatives
of the press an opportunity to meet with him.

CHICAGO SOBELL COMMITTEE
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FOR RELEASE AFTER 7 p.m. (CST) Saturday, Feb. 12

TEXT OF ADDRESS BY DR. HAROLD C. UREY, PREPARED FOR DELIVERY ON
FEBRUARY 12, 1955
AT THE DR. UREY TESTIMONIAL DINNER, HOTEL HAMILTON, CHICAGO, ILL.

Naturally I am pleased that so very many good people have been fit to honor me this evening. Also, I am pleased that Mrs. Sobell should present this scroll to me and thank her for her very kind words. But in a certain way the honor is of minor importance to me, certainly very minor as compared to other things associated with the activities of this evening.

As I am sure you all know, this occasion was organized from the beginning by people who believe, with me, that the Rosenberg - Sobell trial was not in the best tradition of American justice. I hope my friends who signed this scroll understood this.

I have not been personally acquainted with either the Rosenbergs or the Sobells. I am not unmindful of the terrible tragedies that have come to their lives and am very sorry about these matters, but my concern with this trial has stemmed more from a belief that the integrity of justice, as it is administered in the U.S., is at stake. If proper trials cannot be secured for unpopular people -- and it is evident from the publicity of this trial that all those charged with crimes were unpopular -- then it will become impossible to secure justice for other somewhat less unpopular people and so on until no justice is possible at all.

The power of our government is very great and it can afford to be just because of that great power. But there is an illness in this country since the war from which we will surely recover in time. This illness arises from a sense of insecurity and this sense of insecurity is due to the loss of our natural security barriers, namely: the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans. Our danger from foreign foes is now greater than it has ever been before in our history. This danger comes from the long range effectiveness of the aeroplane, as a carrier of powerful military weapons and to the existence in the world of a powerful revolutionary country, whose rulers do not accept the fundamental concepts of our way of life. There is a life and death struggle going on between these ways of life and I am convinced that each group is really determined to eventually destroy the other. I am in favor, as we all are, of the preservation of our way of life and I am sure that we will win in the long run and hope that the war stays cold.

This concern with our basic security as a country has led many people, often in high places, to look for a scape goat, that is, an easy way to solve our difficulties. That scape goat has been spies, espionage agents, subversives in government. I do not condone such agents, but if all communists and all communist sympathizers should quietly die, the fundamental insecurity of this country would be the same as it is now. This very well justified concern for our security in a modern, dangerous world has led us to do things which will undermine our way of life, our form of government, our freedoms. This is my primary concern in this matter. I welcome this dinner and this scroll as a means of fighting one angle of hysteria, one bad case of injustice, as I view it.

There are many things of this kind, such as: the Oppenheimer hearings, Condon's clearance problems, the Lattimer case, passport problems, visa problems, etc. If I do not do anything about some of these things it is because of lack of energy to do so or because many other people have protested them. Perhaps the most disturbing feature of many of these procedures is the increased use of the professional informer by the Department of Justice and Congressional Committees. Recently one of these informers, Mr. Mattusow, has stated that he has given false testimony and has accused Mr. Roy M. Cohen of complicity, which Mr. Cohen has denied. This specific accusation reminds one that Mr. Cohen was assistant prosecuting attorney in the Rosenberg - Sobell case. However, I warn you all that, in my opinion, communists, reformed communists and reformed reformed communists are not particularly reliable. I do not believe that they are reliable when they accuse Mr. Cohen nor when they accuse Mr. Lattimore nor when they accuse

Mr. Sobell. Yet I am of the opinion, after study of the record, that Mr. Cohen's side of this story is incorrect and that Mr. Sobell was not properly tried and that the verdict and sentence were not justified.

One cannot separate the discussion of Mr. Sobell from a consideration of the Rosenberg case. In fact, one finds it difficult to understand what the evidence was against Mr. Sobell -- for it was certainly far less important than that against the Rosenbergs. In fact, the great concern about the latter generally obscured the interests of Sobell. I wish to give you a brief outline of the case for I am sure many of you are not acquainted with the case and its general structure. Being a scientist, I have made a diagram of the case which enables me to understand the relationships.

The alleged conspiracy is represented by the diagram (Fig. 1). In this diagram an arrow pointing from individual A to individual B means that A testified that he had contact on espionage matters with B. No such arrow means that the individual denies such contact or there is no testimony. A broken line means assumed contact but no evidence or only indirect evidence. Gold admitted that he gave information to Yakovlev, but Yakovlev escaped from the U.S. and was not apprehended. Gold and Fuchs both admit contact. The Greenglasses admit that they gave information to Gold and that they received \$500 from Gold which he said he received from Yakovlev. The money was accounted for in the Greenglass' bank account. They agreed that they matched the pieces of the gelatin box top. Gold said he received his half from Yakovlev. The Greenglass portion was in Mrs. Greenglass' hand bag. They say that they received this from Rosenberg and that the division of the gelatin box top occurred in the Rosenberg apartment. The guilt of the Greenglasses and Gold was agreed to by all three. The Rosenbergs denied dividing the gelatin box lid or giving it to the Greenglasses.

The Greenglasses say that they gave information to the Rosenbergs and that they were recruited into espionage by the Rosenbergs. The Rosenbergs denied this, and denied that they had anything to do with espionage of any kind. They maintained that their contacts were the normal relations of in-laws. (Mrs. Rosenberg was David Greenglass' sister.) Elitcher and Sobell were college acquaintances of Rosenberg. Elitcher testified that he and Rosenberg discussed espionage several times, although he maintained that he and Rosenberg never gave each other any secret information. Elitcher had been a communist; he had sworn in connection with his employment on war work that he was not, and thus had committed perjury. He testified that this was so and that he hoped for clemency as he testified against Rosenberg. He has not been indicted. Elitcher testified that he drove from Washington to the home of Sobell in 1948 and that he thought he was being followed by F.B.I. agents. He says that when he reached Sobell's home, Sobell was much disturbed by his arrival with F.B.I. agents on his trail, and that thereupon the two took a car, presumably containing photographic film, to the neighborhood of Rosenberg's home. Elitcher said that he waited in the car while Sobell delivered it. This is the only evidence of an overt act on the part of Sobell introduced at the trial. Sobell did not take the stand in his own defense. Hence a broken line in the diagram.

The Rosenbergs denied all espionage contacts with Elitcher and Sobell.

No evidence was introduced to prove contact between Yakovlev and the Rosenbergs. Gold's testimony established no contact between him and the Rosenbergs. Greenglass testified that Rosenberg tried to get him to go to college to study atomic physics in order to be more valuable as an espionage agent, and the Government inferred that Julius Rosenberg was the center of an important spy ring. No evidence, beyond that mentioned above, was introduced in support of this.

The Rosenbergs denied all accusations but refused to answer questions relative to membership in the Communist Party. They did admit to a very leftish political point of view. They never, at any time, admitted any traitorous act. Many people with whom I have discussed this case do not know this, and I, therefore, emphasize it. Had they made any such admission, I would have never spoken one word in regard to the case.

In general, it is easy to deny accusations, but it is difficult to make false accusations without the necessities appearing in the testimony, and for this reason it is important to consider the details of the testimony against the Rosenbergs in order to judge its

reliability, and it is important to consider motives and opportunity for wrongly accusing the Rosenbergs. Also, if one assumes that the evidence against the Rosenbergs was perjured, it is necessary to be able to account for the essential facts by some other set of contacts. I believe that the essential evidence for the conviction of the Rosenbergs was that given by David and Ruth Greenglass, that their testimony contains unbelievable statements, that the plausibilities of certain details of their testimony can be explained, that they had powerful motives for involving the Rosenbergs unjustly, and, finally, that all the facts of the atomic espionage can be accounted for without the involvement of the Rosenbergs at all.

Elitcher testified to several conversations with Sobell in which espionage was discussed, but that no information ever passed between them. Do espionage agents constantly discuss their activities with old college friends without getting any information? This seems most improbable. The tale that Elitcher, who had never engaged in espionage, told of accompanying Sobell on an espionage errand when he believed F.B.I. agents were following him seems to me to be completely fantastic. Why choose to do this right under the eyes of the F.B.I.?

The bitterness that the case has caused and the sentence imposed on the Rosenbergs and on Sobell was justified by Judge Kaufman on the basis of atomic espionage and yet no evidence was given connecting Sobell with this activity at all. In fact, no evidence was given except that relating to the transfer of a can containing 35 mm. film, and that by a confessed perjurer hoping for leniency.

Sobell was convicted and sentenced on the basis that he was part of a conspiracy and hence was guilty of many things which he personally did not do. Judge Jerome Frank stated that he should have been tried on a separate conspiracy. Judge Kaufman stated to the jury that they could not find Sobell guilty unless they believed Elitcher. I find Elitcher's testimony very doubtful -- in fact, I find it most unconvincing. We should note that no court passed on the credibility of the testimony of any witness, due to the fact that higher Federal Courts do not review this question. The Supreme Court of the U.S. has refused to accept jurisdiction and this does not constitute a review of the case.

However, to return to the general case, we need to recognize that some espionage was performed. Fig. 2 shows an alternative diagram of the case. This differs from the first case only in the shifting of the arrow from the Greenglasses to the Rosenbergs to an arrow from the Greenglasses to Yakovlev. A contact to another agent of the U.S.S.R. would serve as well.

If the Greenglasses had direct contact with Yakovlev or other Russian agents all the requirements of the other testimony are met. A gelatin box lid was divided. Gold presented one half at Albuquerque which he said he got from Yakovlev. The Greenglasses had the other half which they said they received from Rosenberg. On this basis Rosenberg gave the other half to Yakovlev and he in turn gave it to Gold. But, suppose Yakovlev divided the lid and gave one half to Gold and the other to Greenglass or to Mrs. Greenglass. In this case Rosenberg was unnecessary. Also, the Greenglasses can tell a very realistic tale of the division by substituting the Rosenbergs for Yakovlev. In fact, the inclusion of the Rosenbergs in the conspiracy makes no sense at all. They are unnecessary unless Julius was, indeed, the head of a big espionage ring, and the proof of the existence of that ring is non-existent up to the present time. If only the Rosenbergs had confessed! But we are reasoning in circles. The Rosenbergs were unnecessary to the plot and would have been only another print where the entire espionage effort could have been discovered.

If Yakovlev, or another Russian, could contact the Rosenbergs, why could he not contact the Greenglasses, and then why pass \$500 through the Rosenbergs' hands instead of giving it to the Greenglasses directly? Would you confess to being the head of a non-existent spy ring and let your children live under that stigma, or would you go to the electric chair maintaining your innocence? The letters of the Rosenbergs written to each other in Sing Sing prison give their answer to exactly this question.

Note where this diagram leaves the Rosenbergs and Sobell. Both are completely out of the atomic espionage ring and now we ask what did they do? Even the confessed perjurer's testimony, except for the one overt act, only states that they talked espionage without ever

doing any. Well, one should not talk espionage and if they had been given five years at Lewisburg, we might think justice had been done -- that is, if you believe the testimony. I do not believe the testimony.

On such a basis, two people have been executed and one is in prison for 30 years on Alcatraz. And where are the surely guilty ones? One, David Greenglass, is in Lewisburg for 15 years. Two others, Ruth Greenglass and Max Elitcher, have never been indicted and tried.

Would it not be a wonderful trick for the communists if they could get innocent people sent to the electric chair and imprisoned for 30 years and get guilty ones set free or given moderate sentences? This is exactly what I think has occurred. This is one point to which the current hysteria has carried us.

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Elitcher had committed perjury and at the time of his testimony had not been indicted, tried and sentenced. He has not been so indicted or tried since. Had he been sentenced, no matter to what term, at the time of his testimony he would still have been anything but a reliable witness. I do not trust communists nor ex-communists nor perjurers, and I am sure that this view is shared by many others. But when pressure is put on such people, I trust them to do whatever they think necessary to get themselves out of their difficulties, especially when wives and children are involved. Surely Elitcher was tempted to give the testimony that the government wished to have.

The Greenglasses have admitted to a crime for which the maximum penalty is death. It is a custom in the United States to give consideration in sentencing a criminal to the degree of co-operation which he has given to the law enforcement authorities during the preparation and prosecution of the case. I suppose that criminals are advised of this situation by their attorneys or in other ways. At the time of the trial, David Greenglass had been indicted and was on trial but had not been sentenced, and the sentence could have been death. Ruth Greenglass has never been indicted and she was not a defendant in the trial. David Greenglass was given a 15 year prison sentence. It seems to me that the hope of lenient treatment must have constituted a motive for cooperation with the prosecution.

But "cooperation" is not synonymous with perjury and accusation against innocent people. Or is it? Does it not depend on what the facts are? If the Greenglasses' contact was Yakovlev and not the Rosenbergs (see Fig. 2), the revelation of this fact would have given the government nothing since Yakovlev was in Russia. What takes place in a criminal's mind when he is trapped and the electric chair appears in his dreams? I do not know, but it seems likely to me that both the Greenglasses would have confidently expected 30 year prison terms if they had admitted that their contact was with Yakovlev or some other agent of the U.S.S.R.

People ask why the prosecuting attorney and the F.B.I. and the judge should wish to see two insignificant people put to death unjustly. After considerable conversation with lawyers on this subject, including one who worked on the government side of the case, I conclude that lawyers are more interested in the law than in justice. Mostly they are interested in whether all the legal machinery functions according to all the rules, and are not in the least interested in the argument presented in this paper. There are exceptions, of course, as for example Professor Stephen Love and Professor Sharp, who helped the defense during the last weeks of the case without remuneration once he believed that a serious miscarriage of justice had occurred. However, it is my belief that the prosecution believed the Rosenbergs guilty. Once having believed the Greenglass account and having based the prosecution on this it would be difficult to adopt another point of view later. In fact, people do not allow themselves to be convinced that they have made such a horrible mistake as I believe has occurred. Once the government adopted this theory of the case, all concerned with it were trapped and were forced to continue to believe it.

CONCLUSION

I cannot review in a talk of this kind all the details of this case. This is better done by lawyers anyway. I commend to you Professor Love's statement on the case and Professor Sharp's book on the subject. But also a word in my own defence in presuring to say anything about the case. We have public trials in this country. The purpose of this surely is not to provide a Roman holiday, a substitute

Judge the conduct of the trial. This means that you and I have the right to criticize the court, the jury, the prosecution, the defense, everything about it. In criticizing this case, I am exercising certain rights that were mine at birth and I wish to keep them until death. We all of us have the right to form an opinion in regard to these matters and mine is adverse in regard to this case.

I also wish to make a statement in regard to a remark that has come to me from a number of scientists. They say essentially, "Well, if you only knew what I know," or rather mostly, "If you only knew what someone I know knows about the case!" The inference always is that much secret information exists that proves everything but for security reasons, it cannot be made public. My answer to that is that I do not believe this inference and do not believe people should be executed and imprisoned on secret evidence. I have discussed this question with a man, who saw some of the secret data at least. He says that Greenleaf's paper looked to be genuine and that it contained valuable information. I have accepted this as fact, but does a paper tell you to whom the paper was given? My reply to these insinuations has been just as I have said above. There has been no insinuation. Before I accept these statements they must be told publicly so that we all can judge them.

I have been interested in this case and shall be interested in other similar cases because of my concern for the integrity of justice in this country. It is better to review a case in which we believe injustice has been done than to wait for the next one, when further injustice may occur. Will you not all try to do something about this series of doubtful trials or quasi judicial procedures that threaten our security as individuals living in a great free country?

I thank you all again for this dinner and scroll.

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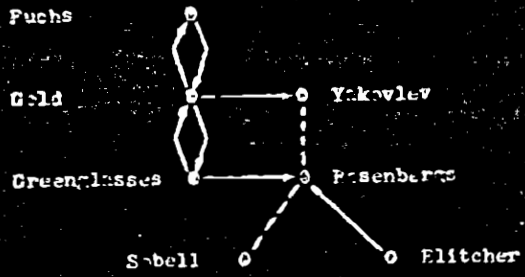
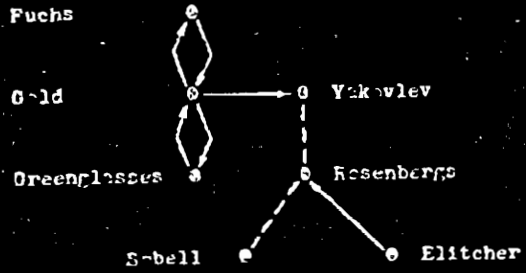


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NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, IS

DAYIE T. [REDACTED] OF KNOWN RELIABILITY, HAS ADVISED OF THE EVENTS SURROUNDING A DINNER HELD ON 2/12 LAST AT THE HAMILTON HOTEL, CG, SPONSORED BY THE CHICAGO SOBELL COMMITTEE, HONORING DR. HAROLD C. UREY. INFORMANT STATED INSTANT DINNER ATTENDED BY OVER 600 PERSONS, AND UREY WAS FEATURED SPEAKER. [REDACTED] b7D

FURTHER ADVISED THAT IN OPINION OF COMMITTEE, DINNER WAS OUTSTANDING SUCCESS AND COMMITTEE INTENDS TO INCREASE ACTIVITIES IN FUTURE, BASED ON RESPONSE RECEIVED AT DINNER. THERE IS ENCLOSED HERewith FOR THE BUREAU AND NEW YORK COPY OF PREPARED TEXT OF ADDRESS BY DR. UREY AND PRESS RELEASE ISSUED IN CONNECTION WITH INSTANT DINNER. INFORMANT STATED THAT UREY'S SPEECH AS DELIVERED WAS ALMOST IDENTICAL WITH PREPARED ISSUED TEXT WITH EXCEPTION OF THE INTRODUCTION. INFORMANT ALSO SAID THAT PRESS RELEASE AS ISSUED WAS NOT ACCEPTED BY LOCAL NEWSPAPER REPORTERS IN ATTENDANCE. [REDACTED] b7D

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cc: 1-Bureau (100- [REDACTED] Harold C. Urey)

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UNABLE TO FURNISH FURTHER DETAILS RE THIS NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING AT THIS TIME. THE BUREAU IS BEING FURNISHED AN EXTRA COPY OF THIS AIRTEL FOR INCLUSION IN URBY'S SUBJECT FILE.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, St. Louis (100-11726)
FROM: SA CARL R. O'CONNOR
RE: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, aka
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DATE FEB 21 1955

Context of three-page typewritten report [redacted] b7D
by mail by the writer on 2-9-55 from [redacted] of [redacted] reliability,
follows.

"SOBELL COMMITTEE DINNER

TIME: 6 P.M. —
DATE: February 5, 1955
PLACE: 3715 LaSalle St (Home of Haven & Clara Mae Perkins)

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"A chili dinner was served [REDACTED] b7D

"This was a social and everyone sat in groups and talked. The main topic was the yellow pamphlets passed out in the schools recently ESCAPE FROM THE H*BOMB - this according to the majority of Communist opinion is a lot of nonsense--an attempt to cause hysteria.

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"When the affair was about over Clara Mae Perkins gave a speech about the injustice and frame-up of Morton Sobell. She said that Helen Sobell had gone to California with one of her children and the child was not permitted to see his father. She called Bennett Director of Prisons, in Washington and he told her to stop bothering him and he supposedly told her that all of this agitation was causing too much trouble. And, according to the story she is not prohibited from visiting her husband. This, of course, proves that the public has become alerted in the case of Sobell and the Government is worried about the publicity.

"Clara Mae then stated that the whole stool-pidgeon frame up is becoming very plan to the people since Matusow has admitted lying. She noted that Roy Cohn who helped convict the Rosenbergs is the one mentioned by Mutosow as helping him frame the lies. She then stated that if one paid informer is a liar it is logical to assume that others were too and the whole affair of Communists trials and the Rosenbergs is a frame-up.

"Charlie Cox asked just why the movement to get Sobell out of Alcatraz. The answer was a very sob-story one-He cannot see his wife except thru a thick glass; he must talk to her thru a telephone; his children cannot see him. Haven Perkins added his opinion; Morton Sobell is a scholar and is placed in a prison where there is the lowest and most vicious criminals. He belongs in a better prison. Clara Mae then told how the FBI have visited Mr. Sobell four times lately in an

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attempt to make him confess. The FBI want to ease their mind about the elocation of the Rosenbergs and if Sobell would confess this would clear the record.

"Brockman Schumacher took the floor. He gave a short talk against the laws that are causing this injustice—the Taft-Hartley, the McCarran Walter Act, the Smith Act. He mentioned that the Manewitzs are victims of the McCarran Act. He then asked all to sign a petition that he had. It was a four page letter (printed) that a group sent to Attorney General Brownell, asking that the use of paid informers be discontinued. The name of the outfit is INITIATORS TO SECURE JUSTICE or to fight injustice. Brockman Schumacher said that the organization has a number of names.

"Clara Mae Perkins remarked that now that the Post Dispatch has come out against the stool pidgeon maybe something will be done about it. Brockman said that there would be no convictions without the array of stool pidgeons used by the FBI.

"Clara Mae then touched briefly on the Claude Lightfoot case—the first of its kind under the Smith Act. John Abt was the attorney for the defendant. He has reported that many lawyers who were watching the trial shook his hand and told him what a dirty frame-up the whole case is. This shows how public opinion is changing in these frame-up trials that convict people for thinking.

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Announcement of instant affair, under the sponsorship of the St. Louis Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell in the Rosenberg Case,

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received [REDACTED] personally by the writer on
2-11-55, is filed herein as [REDACTED]

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TO: SAC, ST. LOUIS (100-11726)

FROM: SA CARL R. O'CONNOR

DATE: FEB 28 1955

SUBJECT: NCSJRC, aka
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Context of one-page typewritten report received by mail by the writer on 2-10-55, from [redacted] of known reliability, is as follows: b7D

*February 9, 1955

*February 5, 1955

*The St. Louis Committee to secure Justice for Morton Sobell in the Rosenberg case, held a supper Feb. 5, 1955 at Mr. & Mrs. Haven Perkins home 3715 LaSalle St. There were between 23-25 people present.

[redacted] At 9:15 PM Mrs. b7D
Clara Perkin's made a brief talk.

*Mrs. Clara Perkins quote: In the past several months, we have noticed quite a number incidents that are encouraging for the progressive movement, also with more effort, we may have Mr. Morton Sobell released from Alcatraz.

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"Last week a Smith act victim was found guilty of being a member of the communist party. This trial was held in Chicago, Mr. Claude Lightfoot was the victim, however this was a jury case. During the deliberation the jury voted 7-5, this was very close, after 8 hours of wrangling Lightfoot was pronounced guilty. This is an example showing that the people are tired of having one sided court cases of people that believe in thinking for themselves.

"We also notice in the press of a Harvey Matusow a Government payed informer admitting of making false statements during some of the cases brought before justice.

"Matusow worked with Roy Cohn one of McCarthy's aid's, Matusow as Max Elicher face perjury, Elicher testified against Morton Sobell in the Rosenberg case. We may eventually receive information that the Rosenbergs were framed and Sobell is innocent.

"The famous scientist Dr. Uhry is confident that Sobell is innocent, in fact he can not understand why Sobell is in jail. end of quote. Clara Perkins.

"Clara introduced Mr. Schumacher, stating he wishes to say a few words.

"Brock Schumacher, I am very glad to see such a large group organized to help Mr. Sobell. I have with me some petitions, these are to have Attorney General Brownell stop the so called payed Government informer. This is considered an un-american policy to have stool pigeons payed by the tax payers of our country to bring false testimony against people that speak out as the constitution gives them the privilege. end of quote. Schumacher.

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MEMO, SAC
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This report is being filed in [REDACTED] b7D

There is filed herein as [REDACTED] documentary announcement of instant affair under the auspices of the St. Louis Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL in the ROSENBERG Case, P.O. Box 3232, Chouteau Station St. Louis, Missouri, which was received by [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] The following information is also noted on this announcement: b7D

"Recent developments in the Sobell Case are:

"The Warden at Alcatraz has told Mrs. Sobell that she can bring the children to see their father.

"The Toronto Globe and Mail with the largest circulation in Canada has published an editorial giving the facts in the Sobell Case and supporting the request to move Sobell from Alcatraz.

Mr. James V. Bennett, Director of Prisons, Dept. of Justice, Washington, D.C. has written Helen Sobell that they are giving serious consideration to the request to move Morton from Alcatraz.

"Help Bennett make up his mind. Write him to move Sobell."

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REPORT MADE AT MIAMI	DATE WHEN MADE MAR 2 1955	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 9/9/54 - 2/28/55	REPORT MADE BY MELVIN A. THOMPSON FJH
TITLE NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG-SOBELL CASE			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - C

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

T-1 has advised there has been no activity of subject organization since 8/2/54. T-1 said individuals formerly associated with organization are afraid to attend meetings. Some former members of organization have fled from Fla. and subject organization is now a dead issue. No literature has been distributed since April, 1954.

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DETAILS: AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

On January 24, 1955, Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, advised there has been no activity in the Miami Chapter of the ROSENBERG COMMITTEE since August 2, 1954.

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
AND FIELD OFFICES
ADVISED BY ROUTING
SLIP(S) *as follows*
DATE *2/23/78*

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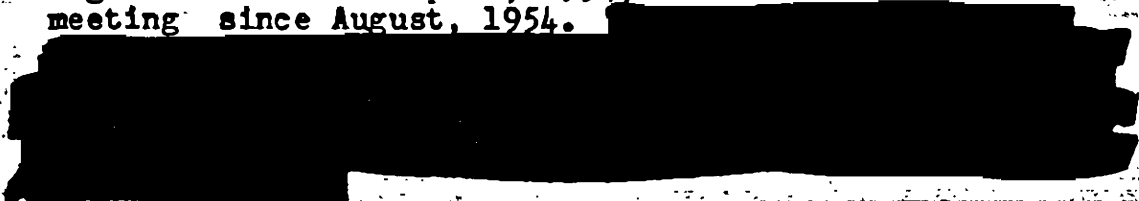
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According to the informant, the individuals formerly associated with the Committee in Miami are afraid to attend any meeting because of the current investigation being conducted in Miami by State's Attorney GEORGE BRAUTIGAM.

The State's Attorney in Miami and the Dade County Grand Jury are investigating Communist activities in the Miami area. To date some 180 persons have been subpoenaed to testify regarding Communist activities.

As a result of this local investigation some individuals have fled from Florida and now reside in other states. Some 8 former members of the Miami Chapter of the ROSENBERG COMMITTEE have fled and have been found to reside in far distant states.

On February 18, 1955, T-1 stated he believes subject organization is now a dead issue in Miami. He said he has received no literature concerning this organization since April, 1954, and there has been no meeting since August, 1954.



Reliable confidential informants familiar with some Communist Party activities in the Miami area were contacted and they advised subject organization has not been active to their knowledge since August, 1954, and that they possessed no current information concerning this organization.

In view of the above, no further investigation will be conducted on subject organization in the Miami area.

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 [redacted] No activity in Miami Chapter of ROSENBERG COMMITTEE since August, 1954

1/24/55

SA MELVIN A. THOMPSON
Written

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Individuals formerly connected with organization are afraid to attend meetings

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SA MELVIN A. THOMPSON
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Subject organization dead issue in Miami. No literature received since April, 1954, and remaining members of Committee refused to attend meetings.

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The reliable confidential informants contacted were [redacted] b7D

REFERENCE

Report of SA MELVIN A. THOMPSON dated September 16, 1954 at Miami.

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-387835)

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[REDACTED] made available to SA JAMES
E. GREEN, JR., two press releases, described below, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] from the Chicago Sobell Committee, 20 West
Jackson Boulevard, Room 1301, Chicago, Illinois: b7D

1. Press release dated Friday, February 11, --
Regarding individuals signing scrolls in tribute to Dr.
HAROLD C. UREY, which scrolls were to be presented to
Dr. UREY at a testimonial dinner to be held in his honor
on Saturday, February 12, --, at the Hotel Hamilton.

2. Press release dated February 12, --, regarding
the above mentioned testimonial dinner held for Dr. UREY
and report of Dr. UREY'S speech at this affair.

The above described press releases are being
forwarded to Chicago for its information. P

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Transmit the following Teletype message to: NEW YORK (REGISTERED MAIL)
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COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, IS
 ON 3/9/55, PH-82-S*, OF KNOWN RELIABILITY, ADVISED THAT JOHN WEXLEY WILL
 APPEAR AT MEETING IN FAIRLAWN, N.J., ON 4/1/55. INFORMANT REPORTED THAT
 PH CHAPTER OF CAPTIONED ORGANIZATION WAS UNABLE TO SECURE WEXLEY FOR PHILA.
 AFFAIR ON ABOVE DATE DUE TO PREVIOUS COMMITMENT TO FAIRLAWN, N.J. ABOVE
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Reylet 2/16/55 captioned [redacted] ^{b1} and SAC let 55-15.

Relets advise that the services of [redacted] are ^{b1} being discontinued with the reasons for this action set out.

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During numerous contacts with this informant there has been no occasion to question the credibility of the informant as a potential witness. Much of the information furnished by her has been corroborated by other informants.

The informant has advised that she would not be willing to testify either in open court or before administrative hearing boards. In view of this and because of personal weaknesses as set out below, it is not believed that she would be desirable as a witness.

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As indicated above, there has been no indication that the informant is untrustworthy or unreliable.

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SAC PHILADELPHIA (100-37667) AND SAC NEW YORK (100-107111) COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL IN THE ROSENBERG CASE; IS-C RE PH AIR TEL 3/14/55. PH AND NY FURNISH NK PHOTOGRAPH AND CURRENT PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION OF JOHN WEXLEY WHO IS SCHEDULED TO APPEAR AT MEETING IN FAIRLAWN N.J. ON 4/1/55. PH ALSO ADVISE CAPACITY IN WHICH WEXLEY IS TO APPEAR.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York (100-10711) *NYN*

DATE: March 21, 1955

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FROM : Director, FBI (100-107835)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
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In connection with the activities of the captioned organization there is attached a copy of a self-explanatory memorandum dated March 11, 1955, which was received from the Department and which requests that a prosecutive summary report be prepared on the captioned organization in order that consideration may be given to proceeding against this group under the Internal Security Act of 1950.

With regard to the above your attention is directed to Bulet dated September 30, 1952, which contained instructions relative to the preparation of such a report on this organization. It is desired that you immediately commence the preparation of the above prosecutive summary report in accord with the instructions contained in the above-mentioned Bulet of September 30, 1952.

You are advised that this report must be submitted to reach the Bureau no later than 60 days from the receipt of this communication in your office. This deadline must be met without fail and it will be your responsibility to insure the assignment of a sufficient number of personnel to the preparation of this report in order that it will be completed in accord with this deadline.

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Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

March 11 1955

William F. Tompkins, Assistant Attorney General
Internal Security Division

National Committee to Secure Justice in the
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This Division is making an evaluation to determine whether there is sufficient evidence for the preparation of a petition to be filed with the Subversive Activities Control Board, against the above captioned organization, under the Communist-front provision of Title 1, Section 13, Internal Security Act of 1950.

In this connection, it is requested that the Bureau furnish this Division a current supplemental prosecutive summary report on this organization, indicating the names, titles and Communist Party affiliations of all current officers, together with any available information as to Communist Party influence, direction, or control in the designation or selection of such officers, and Communist Party domination and control of the organization's activities.

It is also requested that the Bureau indicate the names of witnesses available to testify to the above information before the Subversive Activities Control Board.

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COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL AND THE ROSENBERG CASE; IS-C.

RE NEWARK AIRTEL 3/18/55. ENCLOSED ARE TWO PHOTOS OF JOHN WEXLEY. THE FOLLOWING IS A 1948 DESCRIPTION OF JOHN WEXLEY; BORN SEPTEMBER 14, 1907, NYC, HT., 5'10"; WT., 175 LBS.; BROWN HAIR (EXTREMELY HIGH HAIR LINE); BLUE EYES; OVAL FACE; WEARS HAIRLINE MUSTACHE; AND RACE, WHITE.

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SA WILLIAM B. BETTS

**PHILADELPHIA COMMITTEE TO
SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, aka
Philadelphia Rosenberg-Sobell Committee
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On [redacted] furnished the writer the following literature pertaining to captioned matter: b7D

1. "Newsletter on the SOBELL Case" from the "Philadelphia Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL in the ROSENBERG case", P.O. Box 805, Philadelphia 5, Pa.

This letter states that on 1/7/55 a Court of Quarter Sessions handed down its opinion in order that the Secretary of the Philadelphia Committee, JEAN D. FRANTZIS, did not come within the provisions of the Solicitations for Charity Act; the appeal from the conviction and sentence in the Magistrate's Court was sustained; the conviction was reversed and the defendant was discharged. The Newsletter states that this is a very important victory, and "so it is with the SOBELL case. We can transfer MORTON SOBELL from Alcatraz. We can secure a fair trial for him. We can win justice. But to win, we must do more than we are doing now. We must give not only our moral support, but financial support as well."

This Newsletter states that the HAROLD C. UREY Testimonial Dinner scheduled for 2/12/55 in Chicago praised Dr. UREY for his concern in the MORTON SOBELL case. It states that distinguished men who are joining to pay tribute are scientist Dr. PERCY JULIAN, CAREY McWILLIAMS, Editor of the Nation, STEPHEN LOVE, and others.

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cc: 3 - New York (NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL)

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The Newsletter states on the 13th of February in Chicago there will be a national conference and representatives from New York, Minneapolis, San Francisco, Cleveland, and Los Angeles will be represented. It had not been determined whether Philadelphia would send a representative.

2. A leaflet containing a reprint from "The Globe and Mail", Toronto, Canada, 1/3/55, entitled, "Another DREYFUS Case?" by J. V. McAREE.

It sets out information on behalf of MORTON SOBELL serving sentence in Alcatraz. At the bottom of the leaflet is the notation "Other facts and the full trial record are available at: The National Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL, 1050 Sixth Avenue, New York 18, N.Y., LO 4-9585."

3. The business reply envelope from the Philadelphia ROSENBERG-SOBELL Committee, P.O. Box #805, Philadelphia 5, Pa.

4. An envelope addressed to [REDACTED], from P.O. Box 805, Philadelphia 5, Pa. b7D

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The significance of this address is not known.

5. [REDACTED] b7D

The above items are being retained as an exhibit in Philadelphia file 100-37667-1B-27-18

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DIRECTOR, FBI

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WASHINGTON COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE MORTON SOBELL CASE, IS - C; PROGRESSIVE PARTY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, IS - C, DALET. [REDACTED] ADVISED ON 3/25/55 A MEETING OF THE WASHINGTON

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COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE MORTON SOBELL CASE WAS HELD IN SILVER SPRING, MD. AT A PRIVATE RESIDENCE. 38 PEOPLE WERE PRESENT AND THE SUM OF \$300.00 WAS COLLECTED, WHICH SUM WILL REPRESENT A PORTION OF A \$1000.00 FUND TO BE RAISED IN THE WASHINGTON, D.C. AREA AND THE MONTGOMERY - PRINCE GEORGES COUNTIES OF MD. IN ORDER TO RUN FULL PAGE ADVERTISEMENTS IN TWO WASHINGTON NEWSPAPERS. THESE ADS WILL CONTAIN AN APPEAL ON THE BEHALF OF MORTON SOBELL AND JULIUS AND ETHEL ROSENBERG AND ACCORDING TO AN ANNOUNCEMENT MADE AT THE MEETING, WILL BE PLACED IN THE NEWSPAPERS SO AS TO APPEAR ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE ROSENBERGS' EXECUTION, WHICH DATE HAS BEEN DESIGNATED ROSENBERG MEMORIAL DAY. INFORMANT ADVISED

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THAT IT WAS INDICATED THAT SIMILAR APPEALS WOULD BE MADE IN OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTRY AND IN PARTICULAR NEW YORK CITY. INFORMANT FURTHER STATED THAT THE PROGRESSIVE PARTY OF THE DIST. OF COLUMBIA WILL SPONSOR A SYMPOSIUM ON THE BOOK "FALSE WITNESS" BY HARVEY MATUSOW ON MONDAY EVENING, 3/23/55 AT THE MERIDIAN HILL BAPTIST CHURCH, 1725 KALAROMA ROAD NW, WASHINGTON, D.C. AT THIS MEETING, ACCORDING TO THE INFORMANT, THERE WILL BE THREE SPEAKERS, A REV. DRADEN (PH.), JOSEPH FORER AND JOSEPH GOLDSTEIN, A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED ELECTRICAL WORKERS OF WASHINGTON, D.C.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York

FROM : SA THOMAS J. McANDREWS

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
IN THE ROSENBERG-SOBELL CASE
ISR

DATE: 3/29/55

At 3:55 P. M., 3/29/55, I telephonically contacted Supervisor James F. Bland, Bureau, concerning the Bureau's request for a summary report in the captioned matter. I had previously pointed out to Mr. Bland that a summary was submitted 4/28/53 and at this time I desired to know whether the recent request from the Bureau desired a prosecutive summary report from the inception of this case or from the date of the last summary report. On the occasion of the instant call, Mr. Bland stated that a prosecutive summary, bringing this case up to date from 4/28/53 was desired. When this prosecutive summary report is submitted, it should be accompanied by a cover memorandum and a blank memorandum. The blank memorandum will be in the nature of a witness appendix to the investigative summary report of 4/28/53. This blank memo will show, for example, T1, T10, T15 are unavailable for testifying. The remaining T informants in that report can be identified and are available for testimony should be set out by name and descriptive material. The cover letter transmitting this blank memo will show that the T1, T10, T15, identified in the blank memorandum as unavailable are so and so and cannot be identified by reason of being an active, paid informant, or the like.

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FBI, LOS ANGELES 3/28/55 11:25 A.M.

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-387835)

LA COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL, AKA

LA ROSENBERG - SOBELL COMMITTEE, IS - C. RE SAC

LET 55-22. CLEVELAND, NY, PH, AND NEWARK REQUESTED

ADVISE IF INFORMANTS AS FOLLOWS SHOULD BE CONCEALED,

IF WILLING TO TESTIFY, OR IF ANY REASON EXISTS

FOR NOT INCLUDING INFORMATION ATTRIBUTED TO THEM

IN A REPORT: [REDACTED]

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-387835)

LA COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL, AKA, LA
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ALTHOUGH HE WOULD BE WILLING TO TESTIFY
IT IS RECOMMENDED HE NOT BE UTILIZED AT THIS TIME

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[REDACTED] INFORMATION FURNISHED BY [REDACTED]

MAY BE ATTRIBUTED TO INFORMANT IN A REPORT, BUT INFORMANT'S
IDENTITY MUST BE CONCEALED.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: Director, FBI (100-387835)

APR 1 1955

FROM: SAC, New York (100-107111)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, aka
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ReBulet to New York, 3/21/55.

In referenced letter the Bureau advised that the Department has requested that a supplementary prosecutive summary report be prepared on the captioned organization in order that consideration may be given to proceedings against this group under the Internal Security Act of 1950.

All offices receiving copies of this letter should immediately conduct a file review beginning in April 1953 to bring this case up to date and submit the results in accordance with instructions of SAC Letter #114, series 1951. In addition, all offices are requested to follow the instructions as set forth in SAC Letter #55-20, Sub DIV I, regarding Dissemination of Info From Sources of Unknown Reliability, Questionable Reliability, and Known Reliability in Security Cases, and the instructions set forth in SAC Letter #55-22, Sub DIV I, regarding Security Informants and Sources of Info - Revealing Identity Of.

The New York Office is aware that several offices have submitted investigative reports on captioned organization since April 1953. Any office which has submitted such investigative

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- 2 - Baltimore (100-15241)(RM)
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- 2 - Philadelphia (100-37667)(RM)
- 2 - Pittsburgh (100-11247)(RM)
- 2 - St. Louis (100-11726)(RM)(AMSD)
- 2 - San Francisco (100-35117)(RM)(AMSD)
- 2 - Washington Field (100-25474)(RM)

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reports should review the reports as part of their file review and restate admissible evidence in their reply to instant letter. This request is being made inasmuch as the auxiliary offices are in the best position to determine what information is pertinent and admissible^{and} to furnish the necessary background information concerning witnesses and exhibits.

Copies of this letter have been designated for those auxiliary offices which have indicated pertinent activity in their area for purposes of this prosecutive summary.

The Bureau has also instructed that when this prosecutive summary report is submitted it should be accompanied by a cover letter and a blind memorandum. This blind memorandum will be in the nature of a witness appendix. This blind memorandum will show for example, T-1, T-10, T-15 are unavailable for testifying. The remaining T-informants in the report that can be identified and are available for testimony should be set out by name and descriptive material furnished. The cover letter transmitting this blind memorandum will show that the T-1, T-10, T-15 identified in the blind memorandum are unavailable and should identify these informants and state the reason why they are not available.

It should be noted that since the inception of this organization there has been several changes of title. Accordingly, each office is requested to designate any information concerning these changes of title.

It will be necessary for all offices receiving copies of this letter to furnish replies to the New York Office no later than May 2, 1955 in order that the Bureau deadline of May 21, 1955 will be met. These replies should be submitted in letter form with the original and two copies together with exhibits. No copies should be furnished the Bureau. The Bureau has instructed that sufficient personnel should be assigned to this matter to insure that the deadline is met without fail.

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SUBJECT ROSENBERG/SOBELL COMMITTEE

SERIAL 1680 A DATE 4/5/55

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is exempt from disclosure, in its entirety, under (b)(1) as it has been classified pursuant to Executive Order 11652 as it contains information which would disclose an intelligence source. This serial bears the Classification Officers number [REDACTED]

TO: SAC, NY (100-4013)

FROM: GEORGE P. BAXTRUM, JR., SA

SUBJECT: SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY

Date: 4/5/55

CSNY 496-S furnished the writer on 3/10/55 material which reflects various financial expenditures of the SWP over the past few years.

The material was in the legal custody of the informant, and that portion, considered of potential value as evidence, has been retained. The information is as follows: (material has been destroyed except where disposition is indicated.)

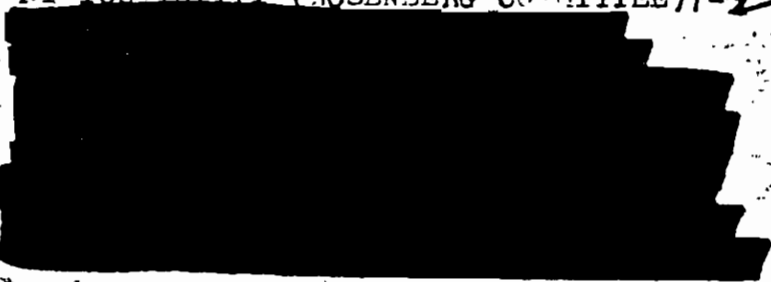
EXPENDITURES IN NAME OF SOCIALIST APPEAL,
116 University Place, Third Floor, NYC

<u>Creditor</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Con Edison Account # 5 452 784	Electricity and gas	Jan. 1950 to Nov. 1953	\$15.20 per month

Statement of Con Edison for service, 9/11/53 to 10/15/53 reflects a change in the subscriber to Socialist Appeal, care of NY Local Socialist Workers Party, 116 University Place. Notation re payment of bill is initialed "J.N." It is believed to be JACOB KOEDAKIS.

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<u>Creditor</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
LOUIS LEWIS Merchants Patrol Co., Inc., 24-26 E. 21th Street, NYC	Protection	Feb., 1950 to July, 1952	\$1.00 per month

EXPENDITURES IN THE NAME OF NY SCHOOL
OF SOCIAL SCIENCE, SECOND FLOOR, 116
University Place, NYC

<u>Creditor</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Con Edison Co. Account # 5 452 785	Electricity and gas	Nov., 1948 to Nov. 1953	\$15 to \$20 per month

Statement of Con Edison for the period 9/11/53
to 10/15/53 reflects it is the final bill. Notation is entered
in ink on the bill re its payment with the initials J.N. It
is believed this is JANET KORDAKIS, who uses the Party name
JANET NELSON. [REDACTED]

EXPENDITURES IN NAME OF SOCIALIST WORKERS
PARTY, 116 University Place, NYC

<u>Creditor</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
"National Guardian"	Classified ad	4/12, 26/54; 10/4/54; 6/28/54	\$2.00 per inser- tion
Brooklyn College "Kingsman"	Ad	March, 1954	\$3.37
Hunter "Arrow"	Ad	3/15/54	\$3.00
"La Prensa"	Ad	3/26, 27/53	\$9.60

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<u>Creditor</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Columbia "Spectator"	Ad	4/29/54	\$1.50
City College "Campus"	"	5/29/54	\$1.50
Cornish Arms Hotel	Rental of hall	4/30/54	\$50.00
23rd St. and 8th Ave., NYC		10/30/54	\$47.06

Information re the Cornish Arms Hotel is from carbon copies of typed letters from JANET NASON, who is identified as secretary of the NY Local S.P. [REDACTED]

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<u>Creditor</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Electric Appliance Co. 822 Broadway, NYC	Rental of TV and amplifiers	1950 and 1951	various
ZACK TAYLOR, 346 Stuyvesant ave. Bklyn, NY	Typewriter repair	1951-1954	
LOUIS LEWIS Merchants Patrol	Protection - newspaper, top floor	Oct., 1953 to April, 1954	\$1.00 per month
GOODMAN Press Seven W, 19th St. NYC	Printing supplies	1951-1952	
National Committee to Secure Justice in Fosenberg Case, 1050 6th Ave., NYC	Literature (20 Leath House Letters)	7/1/53	\$20.00

Receipt for payment of this bill is signed by
PAUL DEITZICH. Material is attached to copy of this memo in
NCSJRC 100-107111.

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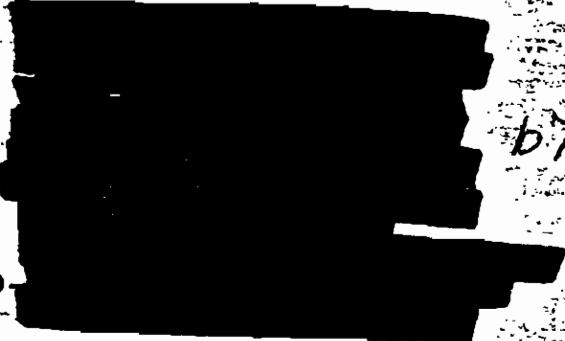
<u>Creditor</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Pacific Printing Co., Inc. 37 East 18th St., NYC	Stationery, cards, nominating petitions, etc.	1951-1954	
JOSEPH MAYER Co., Inc., 5-9 Union Sq. West, NYC	Office supplies	1951-1952	
Adelphi Hall 74 Fifth Ave. NYC	Hall rental	2/3; 6/2, 25; 12/15/50; 1/31; 3/14; 9/9, 14; 10/7/51; 8/22/52	\$15 - \$20 per use
Goldberg Brothers Quality Beverages 45-51 Suffolk Street, NYC	Refreshments	1954	various
National Office SWP	sustaining fund	7/14/54	\$85
	"	7/16/54	\$50
	"	8/28/54	\$45
	"	8/27/54	\$55
	"	8/31/54	\$65
	"	9/10/54	\$100
	bulletin	8/31/54	\$15.50
	account	10/5/54	\$20.80
	dues	8/10/54	\$31.56
	"	9/3/54	\$33.80

The above receipts are attached to a copy of this memo in 100-97078. It is noted that dues payment 8/10/54 was on 47 regular, 10 unemployed, and one initiation. On 9/3/54 it was for 49 regular and 22 unemployed. This reflects an increase of 13 members paying dues, making a total of 71 in August. Receipts from the National Office are signed either "Aubrey" or "C.F." believed to be respectively HEBA AUBREY and CONSTANCE FAIR (WEISSMAN).

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<u>Creditor</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Lerman Brothers 37 E. 14th St., NYC	Stationery and printing	1951-1954	various

Most of the business with Lerman Brothers appear to have been done by the NY Local of the SWP and bills from Lerman Brothers provide for the recipient to sign for the material. The following signatures have been noted on these bills:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
EDITH MAYE	12/6/52	
B. HARRIS	12/18, 30/52	
HARRY GOLD	10/18, 19/51	
GEORGE FOCK	11/28/50	
D.J. PEUTALA	3/26/51	
RUTH THORNE	11/3/50	
	3/9, 13/51	
JANET NASON	4/20; 10/5/53	
JANICE MARTIN	1/11, 19; 6/19/50	
JOHN REGIS	3/9, 12/51	

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National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case

To Socialist Workers Party, 13th St. + University

Terms: Via Hand

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NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
 IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
 1060 SIXTH AVENUE NEW YORK 18, N. Y. No. 3443

#193
 RECEIVED from Socialist Workers Party
 Address 116 University Place, N.Y. 3, N.Y.
 Twenty ⁰⁰Dollars (\$20.00)

Contribution	Tickets	Literature	Old
		20 D H L	Acct.

Inw #15A #5B Signature Paul Detroit

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York (100-107111)

DATE: April 7, 1955

FROM : Director, FBI (100-387835)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C
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ReBulet dated March 21, 1955, in which you were requested to submit a prosecutive summary report on the captioned organization in order that the Department could make a determination as to whether this organization could be proceeded against before the Subversive Activities Control Board.

In this regard it is noted that under date of April 28, 1953, you submitted an investigative summary report on this organization. It will, therefore, be permissible to restrict this prosecutive summary report to the period subsequent to April 28, 1953.

will be included

In order, however, for the Department to obtain full utilization of this report dated April 28, 1953, it is desired that you submit an Appendix - Witnesses Section to this report in accordance with existing instructions which will clearly show the availability status of all informants utilized therein. This should be accompanied by a cover letter setting forth the background information relative to those individuals who have been classified as unavailable. Background information concerning available witnesses should, of course, be set forth in the Appendix - Witnesses Section.

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R. Minahan

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York

Natal Cow. & Peace Justice in Rosenberg - Sobell Case
DATE: 4/13/55
100-107114

FROM : SAC, Milwaukee (100-11982)

SUBJECT: SOBELL COMMITTEE
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On 4/1/55 [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised SA WALTER L. ROETHKE, orally, [redacted] that he had received an announcement from TED JACOBS of the National Sobell Committee in New York that the National Headquarters was sending out various speakers on speaking tours throughout the US.

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SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-41648)

LOS ANGELES COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
FOR MORTON SOBELL, formerly known as
Los Angeles Rosenberg-Sobell Committee;
INTERNAL SECURITY - C.

Re: April 5, 1955 concerning a letter announcing
a nation-wide tour by JOHN WEXLEY being sponsored by the
National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell. A
photostatic copy of this letter is enclosed herewith for the
information of the Bureau and New York.

The offices covering the cities where Mr. WEXLEY is
to appear as noted on page 3 of this letter have been advised
of the proposed date of WEXLEY's appearance.

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cc: ~~New York~~ (encl. 1) (REGISTERED)

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National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell
1050 Sixth Ave., New York 18, N.Y. Phone 4-9585

March 30, 1955.

Dear friend:

On Wednesday, May 11th, John Wexley, author of The Judgment of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, will begin a tour of the country at our behest. His tour is of immense importance to us, for not only does it create new possibilities for publicizing and distributing this magnificent analysis of the case, it affords every group and committee an opportunity to draw new people around it.

Pre-publication copies of his book will be available to you, as well as a promotional piece on the book, that we are now preparing. In addition, we plan to have a representative of the national office visit your city several weeks before Mr. Wexley's arrival, to help in planning your activities during this period.

Meanwhile, we wish to propose the following steps:

(1) The date or dates on which Mr. Wexley will be in your city is on the enclosed tour schedule. You can see that it is a tight schedule, made so by the necessity for covering many cities within a relatively short space of time. If for any reason it is utterly impossible or inadvisable to have Mr. Wexley on the dates specified, please let us know at once so that an attempt to meet your needs may be made, although it will be very difficult to make basic changes. In any case, it is imperative that you confirm the date within a week of receiving this letter.

(2) A number of activities involving Mr. Wexley suggest themselves at once. Public meetings take first place in our consideration. These should be built around the activities of the memorial period as well as around Mr. Wexley and the book. Secondly, large private gatherings of 50 or more persons. These may take the form of meetings, receptions, luncheons, or other affairs.

(3) Publicity around Wexley's visit to your city should be used to the utmost. Newspaper ads and press releases and ads in other periodicals (Anglo-Jewish papers, campus weeklies, neighborhood papers, church organization bulletins, etc.) are obvious first steps.

Letters to newspapers, requests for review of the book, bookstore displays and posters, press conferences, contact with various book discussion groups such as Sunday Men's Clubs and others, notices to libraries, and other means also suggest themselves.

(4) In many cities it is possible to arrange that Mr. Wexley speak at special or regular meetings of other groups, such as some of those mentioned before, and ACLU, Friends Service, etc.

5) Many cities have "Traveler Program" on radio or TV, in which visitors to those cities are interviewed. It should be possible to arrange for such interviews for Mr. Wexley, as well as possible interviews in local news commentary or other programs.

6) There are very great possibilities on the campuses for meetings around Mr. Wexley, newspaper interviews, faculty group discussions, etc. In this, as well as the other suggestions, time is important, and it is one of the reasons that we have taken pains to give you adequate advance notice. Incidentally, many colleges have Mr. Wexley's play "The Last Mile" on their required reading list for English and literature courses.

7) Copies of Mr. Wexley's book should be presented to your local libraries, college libraries, and other institutions that maintain libraries.

8) At the meetings organized by your committees, and elsewhere when possible, arrangements should be made for some capable persons to speak on the meaning of the book and the case, and to urge the audience to purchase the book. Our aim is not simply one book per person, but two or more, so that copies may be sent to all the Congressmen and Senators of your area, as well as to other persons who should read it. In addition, a very great effort should be made to secure advance sales. (At a number of meetings to which Mr. Wexley has already spoken, as much as twice as many books as there were members of the audience were sold).

9) Very shortly we will send you the promotional piece on the book, which will also contain a biographical sketch of Mr. Wexley. This will help in mailings and other activities.

10) As you study the tour schedule you will see that this trip, even fares alone, will be quite costly. These expenses can only be justified if the potential of the tour is realized.

We are not in a position at this time to provide the money for this tour. We ask, therefore, that every city undertake to share part of the expenses. Check with your airline the cost of transportation between your city and the city from which Mr. Wexley will be arriving. Add to that as much as you can to cover hotel and food costs, and send it to us by May 1st, so that we will be able to expedite the arrangements in a satisfactory manner.

11) Please make a hotel reservation for Mr. Wexley for the date of his arrival. Because of thearduous rigors of such a trip, we know you will appreciate the need for restful accommodations, even if they cost a few dollars more than we ordinarily spend.

12) The book will sell for approximately \$4.50. The final price will be known within 10 days or so. We are currently negotiating with the publishers for a large discount. This, in turn, depends very much on the number of books we can realistically order. By giving this matter much thought, and by letting us know soon how many copies you wish to order, you will help us considerably. Likewise, if money for a portion of these books is sent to us, we shall be in a better position to satisfy your requirements.

Finally, we want to add that Mr. Wekley has spent three years of intensive work on this book. Those of us who have read it believe that it was time well spent. It is now up to all of us to make of this long, carefully documented and brilliantly written book a major instrument in the campaign for freedom for Morton Sobell.

Sincerely,

Ted Jacobs

Ted Jacobs
FOR THE COMPTON

TOUR SCHEDULE FOR MR. WEKLEY

- Toronto - May 11 Wednesday
- Syracuse - May 12 Thursday
- Detroit - May 13 Friday
- Cleveland - May 14 - 15 Saturday and Sunday
- Milwaukee - May 16 Monday
- Des Moines - May 17 Tuesday
- St. Louis - May 18 Wednesday
- New Orleans - May 19 - 20 Thursday and Friday
- Houston - May 21 Saturday
- Dallas - May 22 Sunday
- Minneapolis - May 23 Monday
- Vancouver, B.C. - May 24-25 Tuesday and Wednesday
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- Portland - May 27 Friday
- San Francisco - May 28, 29, 30 Saturday, Sunday, Monday
- Los Angeles - May 31 to June 4 Tues. to Tues.
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 WILL HOLD A DINNER TO RAISE FUNDS ON 5/6/55. [REDACTED]
 GUEST SPEAKER WILL BE JOHN WELLEY, AUTHOR OF "THE LAST MILE," "THEY SHALL
 NOT DIE" AND OTHER BOOKS. THIS WAS ANNOUNCED BY JEAN FRANTZIS AT A MEETING
 [REDACTED] OF CAPTIONED GROUP. ABOUT 1,000 INVITATIONS WILL BE MAILED IN AN
 EFFORT TO HAVE 200 PRESENT. THE ABOVE IS FOR INFO. b7D

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, Los Angeles Rosenberg-Sobell Committee

Name changed to Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL in 8/54. Office moved to 468 North Western Avenue, Los Angeles, in 10/54, where now located. IRMA (WIDGE) NEWMAN elected Chairman of Committee in 11/54. Committee operates through Steering Committee. Bank account closed in 11/54 with no balance. Objectives continue to be removal of SOBELL from Alcatraz to another federal prison, obtaining a retrial for SOBELL, and obtain his freedom. A number of persons controlling and supporting the Committee reported by confidential informants to have been CP members.

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DETAILS:

The title of this case has been changed to reflect the new names of the National and Los Angeles Committees: National Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL in the ROSENBERG Case; Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL.

For purposes of brevity, the Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice in the ROSENBERG Case will be referred to as LACSJRC, the Los Angeles ROSENBERG-SOBELL Committee will be referred to as the LARSC, the Los Angeles County Communist Party will be referred to as the LACCP, and the Communist Party as the CP.

Unless otherwise indicated, the informants herein designated by "T" symbols have furnished reliable information in the past.

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I. ORIGIN, SCOPE, AND ACTIVITIES

ORIGIN

[REDACTED]

On March 22, 1955, [REDACTED] orally advised that the Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL, which was formerly known as the Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice in the ROSENBERG Case, and was sometimes referred to as the Los Angeles ROSENBERG-SOBELL Committee, adopted the name Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL about August, 1954. The avowed purpose of this Committee is to have MORTON SOBELL transferred from Alcatraz Prison, to secure him a new trial, and to eventually secure his complete release. b7D

Both the Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice in the ROSENBERG Case and the Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL were, from their inception, dominated and controlled by the LACCP [REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED] In March, 1955, critical discussion by CP members was that the Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL should be reactivated and revitalized in a more aggressive way than it was in the past and that its activities should be expanded in terms of securing maximum mobilization of forces to secure SOBELL's transfer from Alcatraz Prison and a new trial for him.

There is an active youth committee organized by forces from the Labor Youth League working on the SOBELL issue, which is known as the Youth Committee for MORTON SOBELL or slight variations thereof, and which is sponsored by the Parent Committee.

The Labor Youth League has been designated by the United States Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order No. 10450.

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[REDACTED] b7D
[REDACTED] b7D
[REDACTED] it was decided to change the official name of this organization from the Los Angeles ROSENBERG-SOBELL Committee to the Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL. It was further decided that for use on letterheads and listing in telephone directories, the Committee would be known as the Los Angeles SOBELL Committee.

LOCATION OF OFFICE

[REDACTED] The informant advised in October, 1954, that the office of the Committee was moved from 355 South Broadway, Los Angeles, to 468 North Western Avenue, Los Angeles, where the Committee's offices are now located. b7D

SCOPE

INTERNATIONAL b7D

[REDACTED] In August, 1954, the informant furnished a four-page mimeographed leaflet captioned, "Excerpts From Statements By Individuals and Organizations Abroad On The Case Of MORTON SOBELL." The pamphlet bears a sub-caption, "Selected From Letters To Mrs. SOBELL."

This pamphlet reflected support for a new trial and freedom for MORTON SOBELL. Quotations and comments from the following organizations and persons are contained therein:

Belgium League for the Defense of the Rights of Man;

Professor L. ROSENFELD, Professor of Theoretical Physics, University of Manchester, England;

PAUL VILLARD, Attorney, France;

Lord CHORLEY, member of Parliament, England;

EILEEN JEATER, Conservative Party, Stafford, England;

World Federation of Trade Unions, Vienna, Austria;

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Electrical Trade Union, Manchester, England;

National Union of Railwaymen, Manchester, England;

Women's Consultation Commission of the Trade Commission's
Unit, Trieste, Italy;

NELSON and COLNE, Women's Assembly, England;

JANET JAGAN, former Deputy Speaker of the House of
Assembly, British Guiana;

J. A. NEWTH, Professor, University of Manchester,
England;

GIUSEPPE DE VITTORIA, Secretary-General, confederate
of Italian labor;

Women's International Democratic Federation, Berlin,
Germany;

CHARLES A. WOOD, Alderman, Manchester, England;

LAJOS KONYA, Secretary, Union of Hungarian Writers,
Hungary;

FRANCOIS JOSEPH CAVIGLIOLI, Architect, Algiers.

(EXHIBIT I)

LOCAL

[REDACTED] b7D
The informant advised in September, 1954, that
approximately three-thousand letters had been sent out
by this organization in behalf of the removal of SOBELL from
Alcatraz Prison.

[REDACTED] b7D
[REDACTED] it
was announced that the Los Angeles Negro Labor Council would
mail copies of the Columbia Law Review Summary on the MORTON

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SOBELL Case to all its members, that the Executive Board of the Civil Rights Congress had promised full support to the SOBELL case, that the American Friends Service had talked to persons who promised full cooperation with this Committee, that the Tabarian Society had promised SOBELL that they would aid in every way possible, and that the Jewish People's Fraternal Order would circulate petitions produced by the SOBELL Committee.

The Los Angeles Negro Labor Council in all its pamphlets and publications states that it is the Los Angeles Chapter of the National Negro Labor Council. The National Negro Labor Council has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The Civil Rights Congress has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The Jewish People's Fraternal Order has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

ACTIVITIES

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] indicated a "backslide" in interest and support in the Los Angeles, Hollywood and Beverly Hills areas. It was announced that petitions requesting SOBELL's transfer "to a lesser security prison" were to be circulated door to door.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] According to the informant many of those present claimed they had been in areas where doors had been "slammed" in their faces, where they were pushed downstairs, threatened by the police and the

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Sheriff's Office. These persons said, however, that they would not give up.

According to [REDACTED] TOM GRAHAM attended numerous meetings of the Civil Rights Congress in 1954. b7D

[REDACTED] b7D
During August, 1954, the following social meetings were sponsored by the LARSC, according to the informant:

August 21, 1954

Dinner by Westlake group at 1251 South St. Andrews Place; about 50 persons attended [REDACTED] b7D

August 27, 1954

Valley group dinner for HELEN SOBELL at 159 Van Owen Street, Van Nuys; approximately 50-60 people attended [REDACTED] b7D

August 28, 1954

Youth group held reception at 3555 Country Club Drive; approximately 45 persons attended.

August 29, 1954

Eastside rally held at 3601 Woolwine Drive; 50-60 persons attended [REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED] b7D
[REDACTED] b7D
(According to [REDACTED] SOPHIE DAVIDSON was Education and Literature Director of the Sojourner Truth Club, West Jefferson Section, LACCP, as of December, 1949.) b7D

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

b7D

(EXHIBIT II)

[REDACTED]

b7D

A meeting of the youth group of the LARSC was held at Park Manor, 607 South Western Avenue, on September 16, 1954. DAN MARSHALL chaired this meeting; ERNIE LIEBERMAN furnished the entertainment. The principal speakers were Reverend STEPHEN FRITCHMAN, CHARLOTTA BASS and HELEN SOBELL.

According to the 1948 Report of the Un-American Activities Committee to the Regular 1948 California Legislature, DAN MARSHALL was President of the National Lawyers Guild in 1948. The National Lawyers Guild was described by LOUIS F. BUDENZ, former Editor of the "Daily Worker" as the legal arm of the CP.

According to T-5, ERNIE LIEBERMAN was considered for a confidential assignment by the LACCP in 1953.

Reverend STEPHEN FRITCHMAN was formerly a member of the CP in Boston, Massachusetts, according to LOUIS F. BUDENZ, former Managing Editor of the "Daily Worker," an East Coast Communist newspaper.

CHARLOTTA BASS was often mentioned as a CP member prior to 1945 and possibly attended the 1942 National CP Convention, according to LOUIS F. BUDENZ.

[REDACTED]

b7D

At a meeting of the Los Angeles SOBELL Committee at Park Manor on September 16, 1954, DAN MARSHALL stated, "We shall continue to fight for MORTON SOBELL until we have achieved his transfer from Alcatraz, and then his freedom."

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[REDACTED] b7D
A dance sponsored by the youth group of the LARSC was held at Hungarian Workers Home, 1251 South St. Andrews Place on September 18, 1954. Admission to this affair was \$1 and approximately 35 persons attended.

[REDACTED] b7D
The informant advised in September, 1954, that LENNIE POTASH, a leader of a youth group of the SOBELL Committee, remarked concerning a youth conference held on September 18, 1954, that it was not too successful since only 21 persons were present at the conference and only one representative of another youth group attended the affair.

[REDACTED] LENNIE POTASH was a member of the Labor Youth League as of October, 1952, according to DAVE BROWN, who furnished reliable information in the past but who made his identity known to the Civil Rights Congress in January, 1955.

[REDACTED] b7D
The youth group of the SOBELL Committee held a party at 1251 South St. Andrews Place on September 18, 1954. Most of those attending were about 16 years of age and up. Admission was 50 cents and approximately 75 persons attended.

[REDACTED] b7D
Informant advised that during September, 1954, the following affairs were held in behalf of the SOBELL Committee:

September 12, 1954

Beverly Hills Children's Concert,
3335 Country Club Drive; 50-60
persons attended [REDACTED] b7D

September 16, 1954

Reception for HELEN SOBELL
at Park Manor; 250 persons
attended [REDACTED] b7D

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September 17, 1954

Reception for HELEN SOBELL
in Rosemead, California;
20 persons attended [REDACTED]

b7D

September 18, 1954

Youth conference and dance
at 1251 South St. Andrews
Place; 20 persons attended
the conference and approxi-
mately 60 attended the dance;
[REDACTED]

b7D

September 18, 1954

Reception for HELEN SOBELL
at Ontario, California; 50
persons attended [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

b7D

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

b7D

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

b7D

[REDACTED]

b7D

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

b7D

The informant advised that HALPERIN was most active in
organizing the ROSENBERG-SOBELL Committee movement in Fresno,
California.

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According to [REDACTED] RITA HALPERIN was a member of the CP of Fresno County, California, in 1954, 1955. b7D

[REDACTED] b7D

The informant advised in October, 1954, that he had learned that attorney STEPHEN LOVE (Chicago) recently conferred with JAMES B. BENNETT, Director of Federal Prisons, regarding the transfer of MORTON SOBELL from Alcatraz Prison. According to the informant, the conference resulted in special permission being granted by Director BENNETT for LOVE, attorney BEN DREYFUS (San Francisco) and HELEN SOBELL to confer in private with MORTON SOBELL regarding the legal status of his case.

[REDACTED] b7D

FREIDA ALLEN was a member of the LACCP in 1949, according to [REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED] b7D

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[REDACTED]

RICHARD RYKOFF, according to the informant, had prepared a summary of an article appearing in the Columbia Law Review regarding the SOBELL case.

[REDACTED]

b7D

According to DAVID AARON who testified in public session before the House Committee on Un-American Activities at Washington, D.C., January 23, 1952, RICHARD RYKOFF was a member of the CP between 1946 and 1948.

[REDACTED]

b7D

[REDACTED]

WIDGE NEWMAN, Chairman, reported that the United States Government had decided that the SOBELL Committee was not a charity organization and, therefore, owed the Government \$141,121.

b7D

[REDACTED]

The informant furnished a mimeographed leaflet on November 12, 1954, captioned, "The Truth Will Set Me Free." The leaflet announced a conference for Saturday, December 11, 1954, at Park Manor. The announced program was to include registration, case facts by HELEN SOBELL, legal aspects by DAN MARSHALL, political aspects by HORACE ALEXANDER, minority aspects by Dr. SANFORD GOLDNER and trade union aspects by ROBERT LODGE.

(EXHIBIT III)

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[REDACTED] b7D
[REDACTED]
Dr. SANFORD GOLDNER was a member of the LACCP in 1947, according to [REDACTED] b7D

FINANCES

[REDACTED] b7D
[REDACTED] b7D
T-14
This source advised that as of August 24, 1954, the Los Angeles ROSENBERG-SOBELL Committee had a balance of \$157.92.
[REDACTED] b7D
[REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED] b7D
Informant advised on July 27, 1954, that the Citizens Committee to Preserve American Freedoms was currently in existence and was organized in Los Angeles in January, 1952, for the announced purpose of supporting a number of individuals from the medical and legal professions who had been subpoenaed by the House Committee on Un-American Activities (HCUA). This organization has extended its activities to support other individuals and groups subpoenaed before sessions of the HCUA and seeks the abolition of the HCUA.

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FRANK WILKINSON was a member of the Communist Party
in 1951 and 1952, according to [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

b7D

[REDACTED]

b7D

[REDACTED]

b7D

[REDACTED]

b7D

[REDACTED]

b7D

[REDACTED]

b7D

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T-17:

Informant advised that the Los Angeles SOBELL Committee had a balance on hand of \$157.92 as of August 25, 1954, and \$996.86 as of September 24, 1954.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

b7D

[REDACTED]

b7D

T-17:

This source advised on October 27, 1954, that the Los Angeles SOBELL Committee had a balance of \$996.88 as of September 24 and \$244.25 as of October 25.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

WIDGE NEWMAN, Chairman, reported that the United States Government had decided that the SOBELL Committee was not a charity and, therefore, owed the United States Government \$141,121 in income taxes for 1954.

b7D

T-17:

The Los Angeles SOBELL Committee closed its account at the Citizens National Trust Bank, Fifth and Spring, Los Angeles, on November 22, 1954. Informant stated that the Committee's balance as of October 25 was \$244.25 but at the time the account was closed on November 22 there was nothing on hand. He stated that there was not enough money in the account to close it so that some money had to be deposited before the account could be closed. According to the informant,

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all checks were signed by WIDGE NEWMAN and EVELYN BURKETT.

According to [REDACTED] EVELYN BURKETT was a member of the Hollywood Arts, Sciences and Professions Council from 1952 to 1954. b7D

[REDACTED] b7D
Informant advised on May 5, 1954, that the Hollywood Arts, Sciences and Professions Council is the Southern California Chapter of the National Council of Arts, Sciences and Professions in New York, and follows the policy and program of the National organization.

The National Council of Arts, Sciences and Professions was cited as a Communist front by the Congressional Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report No. 1954, dated April 26, 1950.

T-19:

The informant advised on January 7, 1955, that the Los Angeles SOBELL Committee had opened no account at the Hollywood State Bank, 6801 Santa Monica Boulevard, Hollywood, California.

[REDACTED] b7D
[REDACTED]
II. OFFICERS
[REDACTED] b7D
[REDACTED]

As of August, 1954, TOM GRAHAM was Chairman, CARL JENSEN was Secretary, and GRETCHEN JONES was Treasurer of the Westlake Committee

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As of September, 1954, WIDGE NEWMAN was Chairman of the Los Angeles SOBELL Committee, JACK FOX was Chairman of the Eastside Committee

[REDACTED]

b7D

According to [REDACTED] HELEN BECKER was a Civil Rights Congress officer in 1953.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PASTERNAK had been a member of the CP for twelve years. According to [REDACTED] JACK FOX was a member of the LACCP in 1947 and had been a CP member of ten years.

b7D

[REDACTED]

b7D

FLORENCE WASSERMAN was a member of the Executive Committee of the Civil Rights Congress 1950 to 1952, according to [REDACTED] DORA COLE was a member of the Westlake Section of the LACCP in 1950, according to [REDACTED]

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b7D

[REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

(Active in Women's Commission work of the CP of [REDACTED])

[REDACTED] who has furnished [REDACTED] information in the past)

b7D

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED]

(Attended CP meetings 1948, 1949, according to [REDACTED] b7D
as of November, 1954, CP
transfer to Los Angeles was
being considered, according
to T-26.)

[REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED] b7D

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III. STATED AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

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Informant advised in August 31, 1954, that the aims of the Los Angeles SOBELL Committee would be one, transfer of MORTON SOBELL from Alcatraz; two, reduction of sentence or reexamination of the case on its own merits.

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On August 31, 1954, the informant furnished a form letter to JAMES B. BENNETT, Bureau of Prisons, Washington, D.C., issued by the Los Angeles SOBELL Committee which bore space for names and addresses and cities of individuals signing. The letter was set up in the form of a petition requesting that MORTON SOBELL be transferred to a regular federal institution.

(EXHIBIT IV)

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At a meeting of the Los Angeles SOBELL Committee at Park Manor, 607 South Western Avenue, on September 16, 1954, DAN MARSHALL (supra) stated, "We shall continue to fight for MORTON SOBELL until we have achieved his transfer from Alcatraz, and then his freedom."

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On November 19, 1954, informant furnished a four-page mimeographed pamphlet captioned, "Who Are We - Who Is MORTON SOBELL." The pamphlet sets out reasons why MORTON SOBELL should be free. The pamphlet was issued by the Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL.

(EXHIBIT V)

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The informant advised on November 23, 1954, that the immediate goal of the Los Angeles SOBELL Committee was to raise money for the Committee's use and to educate the public regarding the facts of this case.

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On December 13, 1954, the informant furnished a mimeographed sheet captioned, "Here Is Your Chance," issued by the Los Angeles SOBELL Youth Committee. The pamphlet reflects that the SOBELL youth groups were sponsoring a contest with a goal of one thousand signatures to be obtained on a petition to the Director of Prisons, JAMES B. BENNETT, to have SOBELL transferred from Alcatraz Prison.

(EXHIBIT VI)

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IV. SUBVERSIVE RAJIFICATIONS

CONNECTIONS WITH
THE COMMUNIST PARTY

[REDACTED] the MORTON SOBELL case was the center
of discussion by those present. b7D

STELLA BIBER requested those in attendance to write
letters to the Director of Federal Prisons asking that SOBELL
be transferred from Alcatraz Prison.

According to [REDACTED] STELLA BIBER was Organizational
Secretary of the 62nd A.D. Section, LACCP, as of February,
1953. b7D

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
COMMUNIST PARTY LINE

THE ROSENBERG - SOBELL CASES

Communist Party Line

"The Unconquerables" - RICHARD
O. BOYER; "Masses & Mainstream,
9/54, pgs. 50, 52:

"Their souls, like that of JOHN
BROWN, go marching on. The
first great task to which they
inspire us is freedom for
MORTON SOBELL."

Los Angeles ROSENBERG-
SOBELL Committee Line

DAN MARSHALL - Speech at Los
Angeles SOBELL Committee
Meeting, 9/16/54: [REDACTED] b7D

"We shall continue to fight
for MORTON SOBELL until we
have achieved his transfer
from Alcatraz and then his
freedom."

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Communist Party Line

Los Angeles ROSENBERG-
SOBELL Committee Line

"The ROSENBERGs A Year After" -
FRED E. DANIELS; "Masses &
Mainstream," vol. 7, No. 6,
June 1954, p. 41:

"The ROSENBERG case is not
closed. The fight to vin-
dictate their lives continues
in the struggle to free MORTON
SOBELL..."

"Daily Worker,"
May 14, 1954, p. 4:

"...The campaign to free MORTON
SOBELL and the drive to remove
him from Alcatraz, developments
growing out of the case, and the
determination of thousands of
persons to get at the entire
truth give significance to the
first anniversary of the execution."

V. LITERATURE DISTRIBUTED

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On August 24, 1954, informant furnished a mimeographed
sheet captioned, "ROSENBERG-SOBELL Committee, Room 404, 355
South Broadway, Los Angeles 13, MI. 0946." The leaflet sets
out recommendations from the Steering Committee meeting held
on August 3, 1954, based on self-criticism. The following
points are set out:

"We are not reaching the public with the job
we have pledged to do. The lack of material and
forces to do the job can be remedied by our taking
our pledge in all sincerity and assuming a responsi-
bility toward it.

"Assignments have been taken to get out a new
fact sheet each week based on different aspects of
the case. A piece is being developed on the credibility
of ELITCHER's testimony. With the cooperation of

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San Francisco we are working on a project in which slides of all material on the case, to be used with a projector and a running commentary will be available very soon to all areas.

"Each area will assume responsibility of weekly mobilizations at concentration points in a given area. Doorbell ringing in residential areas...plant gates...shopping centers...organizations and public affairs.

"Organizations to be contacted to send representatives to the Steering Committee.

"Two months that HELEN will be here must be utilized to the fullest. Every area, responsible persons and contact should make it a point to see that HELEN is booked in their community.

"That finances are our major problems needs no underlining. The National Committee and the Local Committee are badly in need of funds. Legal expenses and literature are a must and are expensive."

(EXHIBIT VII)

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On August 24, 1954, the informant furnished a leaflet, "Did The ROSENBERGs Have Full Measure Of Justice?" published by the LACSJRC. This pamphlet reviews the comments of three United States Supreme Court Justices on the ROSENBERG case.

(EXHIBIT VIII)

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On August 31, 1954, the informant furnished a mimeographed leaflet, "Scroll Call For Justice," issued by the Los Angeles Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL. The leaflet states, "We can and must transfer MORTON SOBELL from Alcatraz."

(EXHIBIT II)

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ENCLOSURES: To the Bureau: Two bound folders containing Exhibits I to VIII.

To New York: One bound folder of Exhibits I to VIII.

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Copies of this report are designated for Chicago, San Diego and San Francisco Offices inasmuch as individuals mentioned in the report reside in the areas of those offices.

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DAVE BROWN is former [REDACTED] who made his identity known to the CRC in January, 1955. He furnished reliable information in the past. Information attributed to him in the past was furnished to SA ROMNEY STEWART on October 1, 1952, and is maintained in Los Angeles file [REDACTED] b7D

Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed herein by "T" symbols and "T" symbols were utilized only in those instances where the identities of the sources should be concealed.

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LOS ANGELES OFFICE

At Los Angeles, California: Continue to follow and report the activities of the Los Angeles SOBELL Committee.

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[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		"	[REDACTED] b7D
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	[REDACTED]	"	[REDACTED]	b7D
	[REDACTED]	"	[REDACTED]	b7D
T-2, [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	ROBERT J. BARRY	100-41648-2058 (OR)	b7D
	[REDACTED]	MACLIN F. MORRISON	100-41648A-303,306	b7D

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	[REDACTED]		MACLIN F. MORRISON	100-41648-2040 (OR)
	[REDACTED]		ROBERT J. BARRY	[REDACTED] b7D
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	[REDACTED]		MACLIN F. MORRISON	100-41648-2088 (OR) b7D
	[REDACTED]		ROBERT J. BARRY	100-41648A-306 b7D
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T-4, [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	WILLIAM L. McDERMOTT	[REDACTED] b7D
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED] b7D
T-5, CS LA-3741-S	Thumbnail, ERNIE LIEBERMAN	3/13/53	TIMOTHY L. DONOVAN, et al	[REDACTED] b2
T-6,	not utilized.			
T-7, [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	PAUL W. GIBBS	[REDACTED] b7D
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED] b7D
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED] b7D
T-8, [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	TIMOTHY L. DONOVAN	[REDACTED] b7D
T-9, [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	WALTER E. HEUCKE	[REDACTED] b7D
T-10, [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Not indicated	[REDACTED] b7D

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	[REDACTED]		"	[REDACTED] b7D
	[REDACTED]		"	[REDACTED] b7D
T-12, [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		MARCUS M. BRIGHT, et al	[REDACTED] b7D
	[REDACTED]		"	[REDACTED] b7D
T-13, [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		H. RAWLINS OVERTON	(oral) b7D
	[REDACTED]		"	(oral) b7D
T-14, [REDACTED] Citizens Nat'l Bank, Los Angeles (concealed because records confidential)	Finances, 8/24/54	8/24/54	JOHN E. GALLAGHER, Jr.	100-41648-2032 (OR) b7D
T-15, [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	JOHN C.F. MORRIS	[REDACTED] b7D

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T-16, [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	JOSEPH C. HELLES, et al	[REDACTED] b7D
T-17, [REDACTED] Citizens Nat'l Bank, Los Angeles (concealed because records confidential)	Finances, 10/25/54	10/27/54	THEODORE I. A'HEARN	100-41648-2137 (OR) b7D
	Finances, 11/22/54	11/22/54	CHARLES D. MARSHALL	100-41648-2121 (OR) p
			"	100-41648-2161 (OR)
T-18, [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	BERNARR M. PTACEK	[REDACTED] b7D
	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	MARCUS M. BRIGHT	[REDACTED] b7D
T-19, [REDACTED] Hollywood State Bank (concealed because records confidential)	Sobell Committee account, 1/55	1/7/55	CHARLES D. MARSHALL	100-41648-2176 (OR) b7D
T-20, [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	TIMOTHY L. DONOVAN	[REDACTED] b7D
T-21, [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	KENNETH R. HERRILL	[REDACTED] b2
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T-25, [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED] b7D
T-26, CS LA-3824-S	Thumbnail, BERNICE STEELE	11/54	VERNON D. JENSEN, et al	100-411474-77/85
T-27, [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED] b7D
T-28, [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	ROBERT E. RUSSELL; ROBERT GARMICHAEL	[REDACTED] b7D
T-29, [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED] b7D
T-30, [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	MACLIN F. MORRISON	100-41648A-322 b7D
T-31, [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	WILLIAM R. WHITE	[REDACTED] b7D
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